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The Weather
Today—Fair, continued cold. Tomorrow—Increasing cloudiness, fresh northwest winds. Yesterday—High, 34; low, 24. Details on Page 16.

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$150,000 Fire Here Drives Hundreds From Homes

Two Are Overcome As Families Flee Lumber Blaze at South Capitol and G

A $150,000 fire drove hundreds of persons from their homes into freezing weather here early yesterday.

The blaze, which ravaged coal and lumber yards at South Capitol and G streets, raged from about 3 a. m. to noon before being brought under control.

Every available District fireman was called into service by four alarms and a special call sent out by Stephen T. Porter, chief fire engineer.

Spectator Is Injured

Two firemen were overcome by smoke and required hospital treatment and two others were burned. A spectator, Carroll Golden, 21, of 101 Fourth street northeast, suffered a possible rib fracture when he fell from a tree he had climbed at Delaware avenue and G street southwest. He was treated at Casualty Hospital.

The flames began in the M. J. Gensberg & Son coal yard at 601 South Capitol street and spread to the Martin Wiegand lumber yard at 603 South Capitol street, police said. Calvin Lauber, fire marshal, reported the origin could not be determined.

Leaping flames that reached more than 40 feet covered almost the whole block bounded by South Capitol, G, and Half streets and Virginia avenue southwest. Five brick buildings on G street near Half street were seared. Only one was destroyed as fire fighters played half-a-dozen hose to prevent the flames from spreading.

15 Escape Injury

Fifteen residents at 41 G street southwest escaped serious injury when the rear wall of the house collapsed less than half an hour after they fled. They were awakened by police.

About two hundred residents in 11 apartment houses facing the fire on G street fled as heat from the blaze cracked windows of their homes and blistered paint on their doors.

A hail of burning embers, some as large as baseball bats, swirled out of the blaze on a high wind and landed on roofs of houses more than two blocks away. Steam, billowing high above the street, condensed into an artificial "rain" drenching many of the 2,000 spectators who crowded hastily gathered police lines.

Half a dozen cars parked on G street southwest between South Capitol and Half streets were driven away hastily by their owners, awakened by some of the 40 policemen.

A deluge of water on the roofs of a row of G street houses prevented the flames from spreading across the street. Anxious residents of Half street houses frantically doused their gardens and homes with pails of water under a hail of flaming embers.

One Fireman Returns

The firemen overcome by the dense layer of smoke were Henry Gallotta, 29, of No. 12 Truck Company, and Timothy J. O'Neal, 62, of No. 19 Engine Company. Gallotta was rushed to Emergency Hospital by the Fire Rescue Squad ambulance.

O'Neal, taken to Providence Hospital, refused to go home and returned to the fire for further action.

Battalion Chief O. R. Moxley and his driver, W. B. Allen, were treated at Casualty Hospital for badly blistered feet.

Both the lumber and coal yards were destroyed. Martin Wiegand estimated the damage to his establishment at "about $150,000." Irwin M. Gensberg momentarily refused to estimate the damage to his yard.

Wiegand said his yard contained more than a million board-feet of

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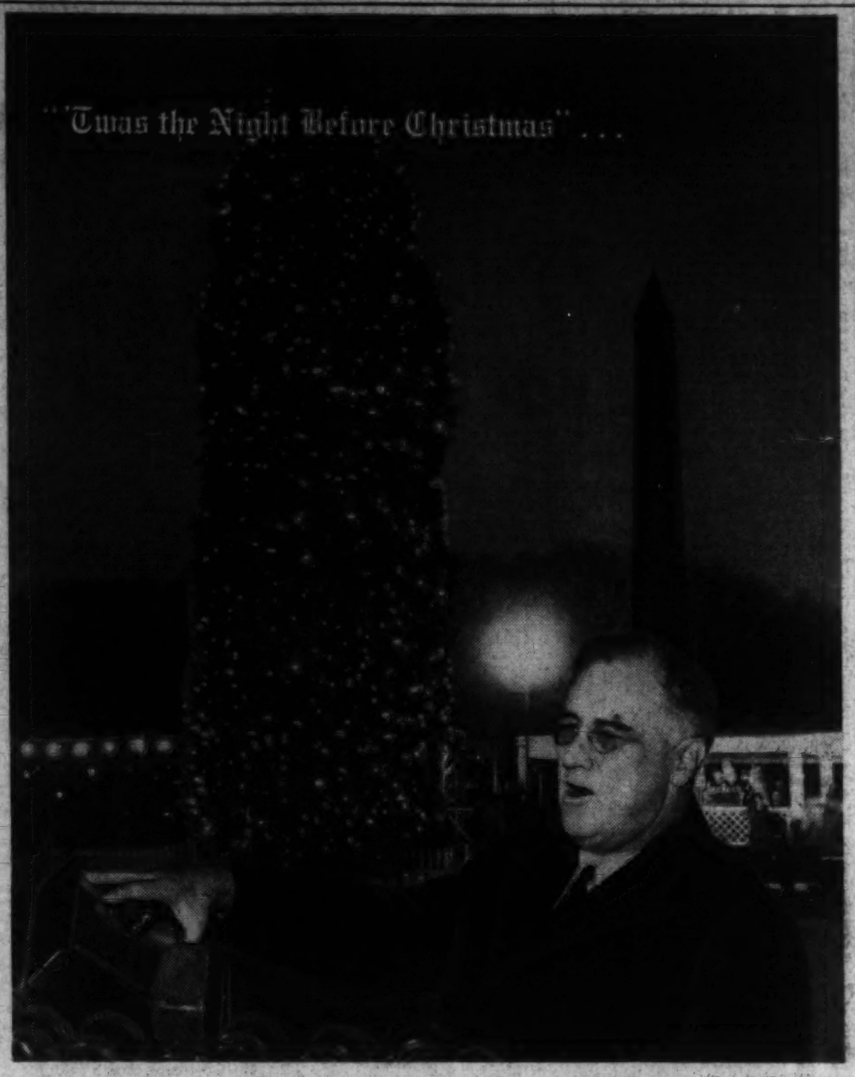

Post Staff Photos
The President pushes the button to illuminate the National Community Christmas Tree (upper) on the Ellipse

Roosevelt Lights Tree, Decries War

President Calls on Belligerent Nations To Read the Sermon On the Mount

By Scott Hart
Post Staff Writer

His head bared in a cutting wind, President Roosevelt early last night lighted the National Community Christmas Tree and invoked the Beatitudes of Christ "that peoples in the nations which are at war may also read, learn and inwardly digest those deathless words."

Eight thousand persons, many with blankets about their knees and all shivering as the wind whipped across the Ellipse, heard the President "thank God for the interlude of Christmas" in the warring world.

"The old year draws to a close. It began with dread of evil things to come and it ends with the horror of another war adding its toll of anguish to a world already bowed under the burden of suffering laid upon it by man's inhumanity to man," he said.

Prays for Strength

Close beside him stood members of his family; on the platform, too, were many national officials; on a stand to his left stood the Marine Band in forest-green overcoats, and in a vast square ahead were the people in the reserved stands and the others jammed against taut ropes. Directly before the President the high tree streamed Christmas colors.

"In these days of stress and sadness in many other lands, let us in the nations which still live at peace forbear to give thanks only for our good fortune in our peace," he said.

"Let us rather pray that we may be given strength to live for others—to live more closely to the words of the Sermon on the Mount and to pray that peoples in the nations which are at war may also read, learn and inwardly digest these deathless words."

Beatitudes Read

The President read:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

"Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

"Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

With his thankfulness for the Christmas interlude, the President observed that "this night is a night of joy and hope and happiness and promise of better things to come. And so in the happiness of this Eve of the most blessed day in the year I give to all of my countrymen the old, old greeting—'Merry Christmas—Happy Christmas.'"

A Christmas rite for him, he said, is always to read again "that immortal little story by Charles Dickens, 'A Christmas Carol.' Reading between the lines and thinking as I always do of Bob Cratchit's humble home as a counterpart of millions

See TREE, Page 2, Column 3.

Finns Repel Russians On 3 Fronts; Pope Offers New Peace Plan

Would Guarantee To Every Nation Right of Life And Independence

By Camille M. Cianfarra
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Vatican City, Dec. 24.—Pope Pius XII outlined today what he considers the five essential conditions for "a just and honorable peace" in a speech delivered to the Sacred College of Cardinals gathered in the Vatican to extend to him its good wishes for Christmas.

These conditions, he said, should embody a guarantee of independence to all nations, general disarmament, the creation or reshaping of international bodies to assure faithful observance of international undertakings, the fulfillment of "the true needs" of nations and ethnic minorities, and finally, abandonment of all hatreds for "moral justice" in keeping with Christian ideals.

The Pope also condemned "atrocities and illicit use of means of destruction even against noncombatants and refugees, as well as against old people, women and children—the contempt for dignity, reason and human life from which originate actions that cry out for the vengeance of God."

Attack on Finns Condemned

The speech, which was largely devoted to an analysis of the international situation, also contained his first public reference to the Russo-Finnish war, in which the Pope termed Russia's invasion of Finland "premeditated aggression" made through the "pretext" of a nonexisting threat.

President Roosevelt's decision to appoint an American representative of the rank of ambassador to the Holy See was welcomed by the Pope with "joy." This news, he said, is especially gratifying since it would mean a valid contribution not only to his peace efforts, but to relief work for victims of the war.

The Pope recalled his previous attempts to prevent conflict which, he said, would result in spiritual destruction and hatred among peoples, and said that his efforts had not had the hoped-for result because of the profound distrust which had created "unsurmountable barriers among the people."

No Hint of Mediation

In what was taken as a reference to Germany's unilateral denunciation of treaties, the Pope said that the problems open among all nations were not insoluble, but that distrust, originated by a series of particular circumstances, prevented belief in the efficacy of eventual pledges and in the duration and vitality of possible undertakings.

Although the speech urged responsible statesmen not to neglect opportunities for peace, there was no indication of papal mediation among belligerents in the near future. The pontiff stressed the fact that when the opportunity arises

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The War Today . . .

SOVIET INVADERS of Finland were being pushed back toward their own frontiers on three fronts, the Finns claimed, as Soviet bombs ushered in Christmas Day in Finland's second city, Viipuri.

POPE PIUS XII offered a five-point program on which he said any just, honorable peace must be based, and condemned inhumane warfare on civilians.

ADOLF HITLER spent Christmas Eve on the Western Front as his top political and military lieutenants broadcast warlike messages to the Reich.

PREMIER DALADIER and Generalissimo Gamelin told France the army would not take the initiative but awaits a Nazi attack with confidence.

France to Wait Nazi Attack, Daladier Says

To Spare Poilus' Blood, Premier Declares In Christmas Message

By the Associated Press

Paris, Dec. 24.—Premier Daladier, in a Christmas message by radio to the French Empire, said tonight "we will give blow for blow in return for any violence coming from Germany."

The premier declared France would not, on her own initiative, "add to the suffering of people" in this 4-month-old war, but would hold Germany responsible [illegible] bit of destruction caused [illegible]

France "will win, but will spare the blood of our soldiers," he said, as German and French patrols continued on the alert along the entire Western Front.

Pays Finns Tribute

He paid tribute to "Finland's victorious resistance" to the "Asiatic barbarians" of Russia, which, he said, "arouses the world's admiration."

Generalissimo Gamelin, in a Christmas order to French troops, reminded them Germany was in a position to launch a general offensive.

Gamelin referred to operations early in the war, and then said:

"Since then we have seen the Germans develop preparations. But thus far they have not dared to unleash their general offensive. For the moment we await events on a firm footing."

Weather Stops Fight

Heavy fog over the front reduced aerial activity on both sides to a minimum and continuing cold and snow stopped almost all patrol actions, military reports said.

"Nothing to report," said the morning communique of the French high command.

Military dispatches, however, said several German patrols reconnoitered in no-man's land east of the Moselle River.

There also were a few exchanges of artillery fire in the Vosges Mountains.

The high command's evening communique reported:

"A quiet day on the front as a whole."

Nazis Fly Into France

Berlin, Dec. 24 (AP).—Further reconnoitering flights far into northern France were made yesterday by units of the German air force, the high command reported today.

The army communique said:

"On the West Front a quiet day. The German air force yesterday again reconnoitered far into northern France."

'Enormous Losses' Suffered by Soviets, 14 Planes Downed, Helsinki Reports

By Thomas F. Hawkins,
Associated Press Staff Writer.

Helsinki (Monday), Dec. 25.—Declaring its army was driving the Russians back to their own border in three widely separated sectors, the Finnish high command last night said the undeclared war with Russia thus far had cost the invaders "enormous losses" in men and war materials.

The communique said Finnish planes shot down at least 14 enemy planes of various types in aerial engagements yesterday.

The number of the enemy killed thus far, the Finns said, "cannot be known exactly but it must soar to an extremely high figure."

Russians Bomb Viipuri

Flying in clear, below-zero weather, Russian warplanes bombed Viipuri, important Finnish port, early today for the second time in about 24 hours.

The first bomb fell shortly before midnight. Six bombs were dropped, apparently near the center of the city. There was no immediate report of damage.

(Copenhagen reports said, however, that despite the virtual evacuation of the city, many casualties were caused by the raid.)

A victorious drive continued against the Russians on the Aglajarvi front, about 35 miles from the Russian border north of Lake Ladoga, where, the communique said, the Finns had reached Aittojoki.

Farther north, in Middle Finland between Suomussalmi and Raappa, about 10 miles from the Russian border, the Finnish command said, Russian losses included "two tanks and a transport column of 100 horses and the capture by us of automobiles and two antitank guns."

The Soviet Account

To the north, the communique said, the Finns were "approaching" Salla, about 35 miles from the Russian border.

Russian attacks on the Karelian Isthmus front were repulsed and Finnish reconnoitering attacks were carried out over a wide area.

The Soviet communique declared: "Nothing of importance took place on the front December 24 except serious clashes between reconnoitering units on the Karelian Isthmus, as a result of which the Finnish troops left on the field 971 killed while the Soviet troops took 35 prisoners, including four officers."

In the air, the Finnish high command said its aircraft "were called upon to repel enemy air attacks."

Two Planes Lost

In the course of numerous air battles, the Finns said, "our fighter planes shot down, according to confirmed reports, 14 enemy planes of various types, mostly bombers, in addition to which there were unconfirmed reports of the loss of 4 or 5 enemy planes.

"We lost two planes."

Action on the sea was confined to patrols, protection and light engagements.

The army's official war summary declared "entire enemy companies, battalions and regiments have been cut up and scattered."

"The fire of the defenders has reaped line after line of attackers as the enemy drove into our fire.

"In addition, frost and difficulties of supplies have destroyed enemy troops.

"On all fronts, large numbers of prisoners have been taken.

"Other losses suffered by the enemy also are appreciable. The number of destroyed or captured

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British Pledge 'Careful Study' Of Zone Protest

Chilean Paper Sees Threat of War in Neutrality Program

By the Associated Press

London (Monday), Dec. 25.—A reliable source said today the British government is prepared to give the Pan-American neutrality protest fullest attention and "careful study," but official quarters doubted any material results.

The 21 American republics, including the United States, jointly protested to Great Britain, France and Germany against violations of the safety zone around the Western Hemisphere as result of the sea battle and scuttling of the German pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee off Uruguay.

Unofficial quarters here pointed out that the protest does not have "the slightest basis" for material results since it is not a part of established international law.

The inability of the combined Pan-American navies to patrol 5,000,000 square miles of ocean to guarantee enforcement of the "safety belt' reduces the Panama declaration to little more than "pious hope with the slightest prospects of realization," according to British sources.

Advisability Is Doubted

Santiago, Chile, Dec. 24 (U.P.).—The newspaper El Mercurio today questioned the advisability of continuing the present system of Pan-American cooperation and said it would tend to lead the American nations into war.

In commenting on the proposed plan of the 21 American republics to invoke sanctions of violations of the declaration of Panama, the newspaper said refusal to furnish oil, food and other supplies to the violators would lead to incidents.

It was pointed out that such action also would lead to economic reprisals if British or French warships were affected.

The newspaper said the declaration of Panama was a weak agreement because it was only a simple declaration instead of a formally approved treaty.

Last-Minute Gifts to Aid More of Needy

Families Rejoice Today Because Yule Will Be Happy

More last-minute Christmas cheer—$175.60 of it—drifted into The Post's fund for the Neediest Families yesterday, adding another home or two to the list to be helped, and bringing the total contributions to $7,455.93.

In more than 60 needy homes today, families rejoice because of the generosity of Post readers, whose gifts have provided necessities of life and the prospect of a better future.

The largest donation yesterday was $58.35 from Washington Post carriers in the city circulation department, who chipped in to help a family have real Christmas cheer.

The Post's original appeal for $5,222 for the 50 Neediest Families expanded with the generosity of readers. With the next $1,135.74, a Christmas celebration was provided in 162 homes under the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Court and other families at an average of $5. The check for this group was sent

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Exeter Overdue At Falklands By Several Days

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Montevideo, Dec. 24.—Uneasiness is beginning to be felt over the whereabouts of the British cruiser Exeter, which suffered the brunt of the Admiral Graf Spee's powerful blows in the naval combat December 13.

The combat off Punta del Este occurred 11 days ago and the Exeter has not yet arrived at Falkland Islands, where she was known to be bound.

Roosevelts Lead City's Church Rites

Services to Be Held Today, With Dr. O. F. Blackwelder to Speak

Led by the Roosevelts, Washington went to church yesterday and last night to hear again the Christmas message.

President and Mrs. Roosevelt; Mrs. Sara Delano Roosevelt, his mother; Mrs. J. R. Roosevelt, his aunt; Curtis and Eleanor Dall, the President's grandchildren, and Maj. Harry Hooker, of New York City, once his law partner, worshipped at high-steepled St. Thomas' Episcopal Church near Thomas Circle.

Members of the party, who heard Dr. Howard S. Wilkinson, rector, lament that a "world gone made" was not following the leadership of Jesus Christ, expected to attend Protestant city-wide interdenominational services at 11 a. m. today at Covenant-First Presbyterian Church, Eighteenth and N street northwest.

Sponsored by the Washington Federation of Churches, the exercises will have Dr. Oscar F. Blackwelder, Reformation Lutheran pastor, as speaker, while the Rev. Alvin Lamar Wills, rector of Our Saviour Episcopal Church, Brookland, and chairman of the federation's public meetings committee, will preside.

Others to take part are Dr. W. L. Darby, executive secretary of the federation; Dr. Albert J. Mc-

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Week's Oddities: Cards Arrive In Season—But Years Late

By Gladwin Hill
Associated Press Staff Writer

New York, Dec. 24.—Merry Christmas!

And here, for those odd crannies in your Christmas stocking, is the Christmas week cavalcade of oddities:

If you were late with your Christmas cards, don't give it a second worry—a Richmond, Ind., family just got a Christmas card mailed to them in 1935. And a Kirkman, Iowa, woman just got a card mailed in Minnesota 23 years ago.

The luckiest person in the country on Christmas cards undoubtedly was the Yonkers, N. Y., man who discovered that, for the second year in a row, somebody has sent out Christmas cards in his name—and nice cards, too.

If you're uneasy about the addresses you put on any of your presents, don't worry either—in a Chicago Christmas-present mixup, a business man ended up with a load of toys and an orphanage got a case of champagne!

You probably had your troubles Christmas shopping—but you weren't the only one. A Camden, N. J., woman lost, in a store toy department, her father—aged 85. And a Lancaster, Pa., man who got separated from his wife in a shopping jam was still missing two days later!

And if the air seemed close at that Christmas party you went to, what about the Ishpeming, Mich., miners who had their celebration 1,450 feet down in a shaft? For that matter, what about spending Christmas in a place called Ishpeming?

The Christmas spirit was everywhere. The Governor of Michigan wired a New York manufacturer to expedite a toy train for a friend . . . Boston police began rewarding careful woman drivers with corsages . . . And Birmingham, Ala., instituted hostesses on street cars!

In Ash Flat, Ark., Miss Pauline Garner left her purse in an automobile. A thief removed two $1 bills, but left undisturbed a $5 bill around which those of smaller denomination had been wrapped.

Japanese Claim 16,500 Chinese Slain in Attack

Shanghai, Dec. 24 (AP).—Japanese asserted today a Chinese winter offensive had been crushed and 16,500 Chinese slain.

About 10,000 Chinese were killed, the Japanese said, beyond Hankow in Hupeh Province, while another 5,500 were slain on the Nanchang front in Kiangsi Province. A Japanese counter-attack in the Paotouchen sector was said to have killed more than 1,000 Chinese.

No mention was made of Japanese casualties.

Father Carries Out Bundle Instead of Baby First Trip

Arvell Greenwood, of 34 G street southwest, was awakened in the very small hours yesterday morning by the sounds and smells of fire.

Dazed and still sleepy, he caught up what he thought was his bundled 4-month-old daughter, Jacqueline and dashed from the house. Once outside, he found a whole block ablaze and turned with a sigh of relief to the armful he had brought from his threatened home. It was only a bundle of clothes.

Greenwood dashed back, found Jacqueline peacefully asleep in her crib. This time he rescued his daughter.

Clear Skies, Coldest Weather Of Season Forecast for Today

Clear skies and the coldest day of the season, with the mercury dropping to 22 degrees shortly before sunrise, were forecast for Christmas Day by the Weather Bureau.

Highest temperature yesterday was 32 degrees at 4 p. m. and the lowest thermometer reading was 25 at 8 a. m. Previous low was 23 degrees Saturday.

Forecasters said the National Capital, as well as eastern Maryland and Virginia, would have moderate northerly winds today, while western Maryland and Virginia would have cloudy and colder weather.

Tidewater and southwestern Virginia were blanketed with snow yesterday. Norfolk and Richmond reported 3 inches of white, while Staunton was covered 2 inches deep. Newport News reported 1½ inches of snow, but Northern Virginia was dry.

For the third time in 23 years, Juneau, Alaska, faces a snowless Christmas, the Associated Press reported.

Only in 1925 and 1937, the Weather Bureau said, has Alaska's capital been without snow on Christmas Day.

Hitler Visits Siegfried Line; Nazi Leaders Defy Allies

By Percival Knauth
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Berlin, Dec. 24.—While Adolf Hitler celebrated Christmas Eve with his soldiers manning the West Wall, Rudolph Hess and Col. Gen. Walther Von Brauchitsch sounded the keynote of the first German war Christmas in war-like speeches addressed to Germans throughout the world.

Hess, deputy leader of the Nazi party, spoke from a German destroyer, while Von Brauchitsch, commander-in-chief of the army, broadcast from a Christmas celebration with a company in one of the West Wall forts.

The Christmas message to all Germany, and in a broader sense to the world, given by Hess, reiterated the determination of Germany to carry the fight to the end.

"Our entire nation is a single wall against the west. Before our forts is a clear field for our artillery. The barrels of 10,000 guns are ready to warn any one approaching that 'this land is ours.' Behind this wall is Germany, armed to the last man.

"This nation is ready to give now for the sake of its future. So far

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Over the Coffee

By Harlan Miller

FDR MUSES AS SANTA

There's something queer about the Christmas atmosphere this year . . . People sending me political Xmas cards to the White House . . . With digs at the New Deal spread over the greetings like mustard.

Harlan Miller

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Maybe I ought to send Tom Dewey a moustache cup just to ease the tension . . . Anyhow, Vandenberg and I love each other more than those fellahs across the ocean. Wonder if Eleanor sent Xmas cards to all the Congressmen.

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Maybe it's the war that jangles the Xmas spirit . . . I don't suppose Hitler ever hung up a stocking . . . Is politics getting more like war or is war getting more like politics?

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Shame to see so many ships sinking in our front yard . . . Ships shouldn't sink, they should float . . . The Columbus could take every member of Congress and all their secretaries on a winter cruise.

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Wouldn't want it to sink, though . . . What was that book fathers used to send to their sons? All that wise drivel . . . Might have sent Elliott one of those . . . Wonder which side of the family Elliott takes after, anyhow?

"—shooting Santa: no joke"

That used to be a joke about not shooting Santa at Xmas, but no one is safe nowadays . . . Wonder what kind of movies Jimmy will produce out in Hollywood . . . He could do a good movie about Cousin Teddy. Bet I could write him a good script. Where'd Jimmy get that love of money?

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Gosh, it'd be nice if I could start a big peace move on Christmas Day. But that's just the day Adolf would choose to begin a big drive or some high-pressure bombing . . . Peace isn't so easy when there's a little war along every Main street in the world.

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But I'm entitled to a day off on Xmas . . . Wonder how many grandchildren there are in the house today . . . Be nice to take 'em out in the deep snow or out to the hamburger stand . . . Boy, couldn't I stir things up by issuing a third term statement today! Anyhow, my so-called brain-trusters are whooping it up for a third term.

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How pleased those Republicans would be if I said it was Hyde Park in 1941 . . . I'll bet they'd miss me just a little bit . . . Let's see, is my daughter around today? Don't see as much of her as I intended . . . Wonder why Hearst doesn't transfer my hard-boiled son-in-law to New York.

"—whooping it up"

Why is there so much confusion? I'd like to devote a fireside chat to preaching brotherly love. Just that. But they'd think I was getting soft. Wouldn't be bad, though, on a 300-station hook-up. Maybe I could squirt a little Xmas spirit into those duffers.

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Well, I can't imagine any of my rich Harvard classmates ever carrying me around on their shoulders. Not even if I abolished the income tax entirely. I've filled 'em too full of doubts.

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Guess I'll send Carter Glass a sprig of mistletoe . . . Know how I'd like to celebrate Christmas? Like to sneak out to supper at a cafeteria and then a movie . . . Wouldn't that be a treat for a president . . . Let's see—did we send Xmas greetings to Persia this year? Oh, I guess they don't celebrate the same day. Can't get that notion out of my head about a peace move . . . Wonder if I overlooked any of the staff? Tell all the grandchildren to come into my room . . . Merry Christmas, every body.

Toy-Gun Bandit Seized as He Eats Candy of Victim

New York, Dec. 24.—Westley W. Jackson, 26, manager of a chain bakery entertained a "robber" Saturday night.

Jackson said the man flourished a toy cap pistol, demanding "Give me money: Give me anything."

Jackson said the man seemed to be under the influence of liquor, so he gave him the first thing at hand, a package of seven lollypops. He said the man took the package, laid his toy pistol on the counter and began sampling the lollypops, while Jackson summoned police.

The robber was still engaged in sampling the lollypops, when patrolman James G. Bree walked in.

William Actonancion, 25, was arraigned today in Felony Court, on a complaint of attempted robbery. He was held in $2,500 bail for a further hearing on Dec. 28.

Vandenberg Will Speak in St. Paul Feb. 10

Michigan Senator Also to Talk Feb. 12 In His Home City

Senator Vandenberg, of Michigan, potential Republican Presidential nominee, will display his political wares in an address at St. Paul, Minn., February 10, and in his home city of Grand Rapids, February 12.

His associates disclosed the St. Paul speech will be from the same platform where District Attorney Dewey, of New York, recently made his maiden speech of the Presidential campaign, and will be a round-up of the Senator's views on farm relief.

Lincoln Day celebrations will provide the occasions for both addresses.

Speaking from the same platforms will be two other potential Republican standard bearers, Gov. Stassen of Minnesota, who staged an old-fashioned political send-off for Dewey, and Gov. James of Pennsylvania, who defeated George H. Earl in 1938.

Vandenberg has not yet formally announced his candidacy, but he has informed his Michigan associates that he will not decline the nomination if he is chosen. He reiterated this yesterday.

"My intentions have already been announced," he told newspapermen. "There will be no more announcements. I intend to stand on the announcement I made last spring." At that time he said he would stand for reelection to the Senate. He added that if "reasons of a broader nature" required him to run for the Presidency, "I shall meet them to the best of my ability."

Roosevelts Lead D. C. Church Rites

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Cartney, host church pastor; Dr. Fred S. Buschmeyer, pastor of Mount Pleasant Congregational Church; Dr. E. A. Sexsmith, pastor of Rhode Island Avenue Methodist Church, and the Rev. J. Lloyd Black, Park View Christian Church pastor.

It was explained yesterday two pews will be reserved for the Presidential family, and entrance to the church will be only through the Eighteenth street doors. The Sunday School rooms will be available for overflow crowds.

Carols Keynote Services

From 7 a. m. yesterday morning until 2 a. m. this morning, congregations met in solemn assemblies for carol-keynoted programs. White-garbed choristers proclaimed that "He Came Upon a Midnight Clear," their voices resounding through sanctuaries bright with green and red Yule trimmings.

Heeding the Biblical admonition, ". . . and the greatest of these is charity . . ." young people and others from scores of congregations carried spiritual and material gifts to the poor.

Members of the Social Service League of the Washington City Church of the Brethren drove down into a bleak alley on Canal street southeast with a Christmas tree and gifts to bring cheer to a cheerless atmosphere. Oscar Weimer was chairman. Food, money, clothes and other gifts were taken to scores of services.

At Takoma Park Baptist Church Mrs. Herbert R. Thompson, blind assistant Bible teacher, was presented with a 25-volume set of the Bible in Braille. Mrs. L. C. Carey, president of the Margaret Pearce Bible Class, made the presentation.

Catholic masses and Episcopal services of Holy Communion, as well as rites of other denominations, drew attention throughout the city as midnight ushered in Christmas Day. The Franciscan Monastery celebrated Christmas Matins, with the Very Rev. Leonard Walsh, superior of the Monastery, as celebrant. St. Dominic's Catholic Church, the Washington Retreat House, St. Paul's Episcopal Church near Washington Circle, Metropolitan Memorial, Luther Place Memorial, and other congregations held special services.

Vesper Services Held

Earlier in the evening and the late afternoon, youth vespers were sponsored by many churches. Trinity Methodist Church's recently-organized A Cappella choir made its debut and the Georgetown Presbyterian choir sang vespers from the church steps. Young people of the Mount Tabor Methodist Church, Georgetown, lighted a Nativity scene in front of the edifice, then went caroling.

Many church groups go caroling early today in neighborhoods and institutions. Members of the District Christian Endeavor Society, Baptist Young People's Unions, and others are to meet at 6 a. m. at the Washington Federation of Churches Building. After a worship service, they will distribute socks and greetings to bedfast patients, and carol. The project is under the Hospital Department of the Federation, with Mrs. Elizabeth Murray as chairman. Intermediate youths will go directly from their homes to Gallinger Hospital.

About the same hour, Swedish "Julotta" services are planned for the Augustana Lutheran Church, New Hampshire avenue and V street northwest. Dr. Arthur O. Hjelm is pastor. Holy Communion is scheduled for the Washington Cathedral at 7:30, 9:30, and 11 a. m. today. The Cathedral choir of men and boys yesterday sang from the North Transept Gallery. Today's leading services will be sponsored by the Catholic and Episcopal churches.

Dedications also drew special attention in Washington churches yesterday. The Albright Memorial Evangelical Church dedicated its gift bell; Keller Memorial Church used its newly-renovated church auditorium for the first time, and St. Stephen's and the Incarnation Episcopal Church dedicated a new canopy and panel of the lectern.

Gas Truck Driver Forgets Parking Spot

Bethesda police yesterday caused two Washington police broadcasts attempting to find an oil truck for a driver who had forgotten where he parked.

A short time after the second broadcast, Clerk J. M. Smith looked out across Wisconsin avenue from the station and saw the ten-wheel machine sitting unobtrusively in a gas station.

The Woodrings' Christmas Eve

Associated Press WIREPHOTO

Secretary of War Woodring and his children gathered around their tree last night to open presents. Melissa (right) watches her father open his gift, while Marcus (left) has other interests. Cooper digs into his box of dominoes

Roosevelt Asks Lands at War To Read Beatitudes Again

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of our own American homes, the story takes on a stirring significance to me.

"Old Scrooge found that Christmas wasn't a humbug. He took to himself the spirit of neighborliness. But today neighborliness no longer can be confined to one's little neighborhood. Life has become too complex for that. In our country neighborliness has gradually spread its boundaries—from town, to county, to State and now at last to the whole Nation."

"Who, a generation ago," he asked, "would have thought that a week from tomorrow—January 1, 1940—tens of thousands of elderly men and women in every State and every county and every city of the Nation will begin to receive checks every month for old-age retirement insurance—and not only that but also insurance benefits for the wife, the widow, the orphan children and even dependent parents?"

"Who would have thought a generation ago that people who lost their jobs would, for an appreciable period, receive unemployment insurance—that the needy, the blind and the crippled children are receiving some measure of protection which will reach down to the millions of Bob Cratchits, the Marthas and the Tiny Tims of our own 'four-room homes?'"

Five Carols Sung

The President remained on the stand, more in the sweep of the wind than was the crowd, until the hour-long program ended. His head remained bared while a soloist of the band played "Cantique de Noel," and the Federal Playhouse Chorus sang five carols. He arrived at 5 p. m., 30 minutes after the bandsmen began a program of carols which their fingers worked somehow in the numbing cold.

Representative Jennings Randolph made introductory remarks and the greetings of Boy and Girl Scouts were brought to President and Mrs. Roosevelt by Irene Clay, 16, of 2603 Monroe street northeast, and John Browning, 18, of 1811 Wyoming avenue northwest.

In the White House last night hung 15 stockings, four belonging to Presidential grandchildren, John Roosevelt Boettiger, 9-month-old son of the President's daughter, Anna; Franklin D. Roosevelt, 18 months old; Curtis Roosevelt Dall, nine, and his sister, Anna Eleanor, 9, and his sister, Anna Eleanor, 12.

The text of President Roosevelt's address to the Nation in connection with the lighting of a national Christmas tree follows:

The old year draws to a close. It began with dread of evil things to come and it ends with the horror of another war adding its toll of anguish to a world already bowed under the burden of suffering laid upon it by man's inhumanity to man.

But, thank God for the interlude of Christmas. This night is a night of joy and hope and happiness and promise of better things to come. And so in the happiness of this eve of the most blessed day in the year I give to all of my countrymen the old, old greeting—Merry Christmas—Happy Christmas.

A Christmas rite for me is always to reread that immortal little story by Charles Dickens, "A Christmas Carol." Reading between the lines and thinking as I always do of Bob Cratchit's humble home as a counterpart of millions of our own American homes, the story takes on a stirring significance to me.

Neighborliness Spreading

Old Scrooge found that Christmas wasn't a humbug. He took to himself the spirit of neighborliness. But today neighborliness no longer can be confined to one's little neighborhood. Life has become too complex for that. In our country neighborliness has gradually spread its boundaries—from town, to county, to State and now at last to the whole Nation.

For instance, who a generation ago would have thought that a week from tomorrow—January 1, 1940—tens of thousands of elderly men and women in every State and every county and every city of the Nation will begin to receive checks every month for old age retirement insurance—and not only that but also insurance benefits for the wife, the widow, the orphan children and even dependent parents? Who would have thought a generation ago that people who lost their jobs would for an appreciable period, receive unemployment insurance—that the needy, the blind and the crippled children are receiving some measure of protection which will reach down to the millions of Bob Cratchits, the Marthas and the Tiny Tims of our own 'four-room homes?'"

Repeats Sermon on Mount

May their import reach into the hearts of all men and of all nations.

I offer them as my Christmas message.

"Blessed are the poor in spirit: For theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

"Blessed are they that mourn: For they shall be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek: For they shall inherit the earth.

"Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: For they shall be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful: For they shall obtain mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart: For they shall see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers: For they shall be called the children of God.

"Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: For theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven."

Russo-German Railway Service Reported Ready

Moscow, Dec. 24 (AP).—Informed sources said tonight a communique would be issued shortly announcing establishment of direct railway traffic between Germany and Russia through former Polish territory.

An agreement already has been reached on freight rates, these sources said.

These sources said trainloads of oil and grain already had been sent from Russia to Germany.

It was understood Russian tracks, which are wider than most of those in Europe, had been adjusted to permit operation with German equipment.

SPECIAL NOTICES

OFFICE OF THE FIREMEN'S INSURANCE Company of Washington and Georgetown, 303 Seventh street northwest, Washington, D. C. The stockholders of the Firemen's Insurance Company of Washington and Georgetown will meet at the office on MONDAY, January 1, 1940, for the purpose of electing 13 directors for the ensuing year. Polls open from 11 a. m. to 12 noon. ALBERT W. HOWARD, Secretary. 22,2

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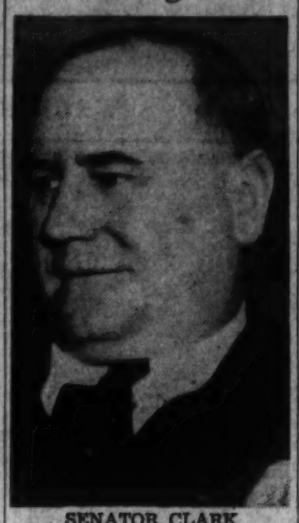

SENATOR CLARK

Clark to Fight For Extension Of Trade Pacts

Blames Tariffs Partly For Depression, Says Hull Is Undoing Damage

By Arthur Hachten

Senator Bennett Champ Clark, of Missouri, a potential Democratic Presidential nominee in 1940, last night declared himself "strongly" in support of the Roosevelt-Hull reciprocal trade agreements program, which faces opposition at the next session of Congress.

At the same time Clark, who is a veteran member of the powerful Senate Finance Committee, forecast there would be a revision of the internal revenue law at the forthcoming session.

He declared the National Labor Relations Board, which is under investigation of a special House committee, has administered the labor relations act "abominably." He said the act's administration had been partisan and added he thought amendments needed.

With the reciprocal trade agreements law expiring next June 12, the Missourian served notice he would do all he can to see that the act is extended.

He said he was not convinced that the most-favored-nations policy, under which reductions in tariff rates given to one country in a reciprocal trade pact may be exercised by all nations having most-favored-nation treaties with the United States has worked well in connection with the trade-barter program.

"Our vicious system of prohibitive traffic," he said in an interview, resulted in retaliation by other countries. The reciprocal trade agreement program provides a means for undoing this damage to our national economy.

"It is my conclusion that our policy of prohibitive tariffs had a lot to do with causing the world-wide depression, which finally struck us. I would have preferred drastic revision of the tariff schedule by schedule, but the way conditions have developed it would now be a cumbersome job.

"If the trade agreements are to be considered as treaties and therefore subject to Senate ratification, a two-thirds majority of the Senate would be necessary to accomplish ratification. That means in effect that one-third of the Senate could veto a proposed pact and it would not be difficult for groups interested in sky-high tariff rates to muster at least one more than one-third of the Senate.

"I consider the reciprocal trade agreements program a sound proposition of normal trade. It has brought about material improvement in American trade."

Clark said that the European war already had dislocated American commerce.

"Until all of the facts are at hand it is impossible to say what changes in the revenue law are now necessary, but I know that at the outbreak of the World War Congress had to revise the tax law several times to meet the changing conditions," Clark said.

Bulgarian Financiers Go to Make Soviet Pact

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Sofia, Dec. 24.—A delegation of Bulgarian financiers and economists, headed by the minister of finance and the governor of the national bank, left last night for Moscow, where it will negotiate for a trade and maritime treaty with the Russians.

Eccles May Let Term Expire, Stay at Post

Said to Disapprove Reappointment as Binding Next President

By the Associated Press

Marriner S. Eccles, whose term as chairman of the Federal Reserve System expires in February, was said by friends yesterday to feel that the next President should be free to make his own appointments to the reserve board.

For that reason, it was said, Eccles may remain at his post on a month-to-month basis until the next Administration takes office, rather than accept appointment to a full four-year term as chairman and a 14-year term as a member of the board.

Under the Federal reserve law a member of the reserve board who fails to serve a full term cannot return to private banking until two years after leaving the board. Eccles has extensive banking interests in Utah, his home State.

There is a possibility, it was said, that Eccles might be appointed for a full 14-year term with the understanding that he could inform the next President that he would like to step aside to permit the appointment of another man, in which case the President could ask Congress for an exemption from the law.

2 Are Found Dead In Wrecked Plane

Anchorage, Alaska, Dec. 24 (AP).—The bodies of Hans Mirow, Nome airline operator, and Peter Bystedt, a passenger, were found late today in the wreckage of an airplane 12 miles from Kaltag between Unalakleet and Nulato.

The plane, missing five days, was sighted by Civil Aeronautics Inspector Charles R. Burnett. A few hours later, a dog sled called by Burnett's radio reached the wrecked ship.

Japan to Consult With Army On Concessions for U. S. Treaty

Military Will Have to Sanction Steps In Negotiations, Horinouchi Says, Affirming 'Earnest Desire' for New Pact

By International News Service

Ambassador Kensuke Horinouchi declared yesterday any concessions Japan offers to get a new commercial treaty with the United States depends upon the sanction of Japanese military authorities in China.

Horinouchi, in an unusually frank interview, said:

"The Tokyo foreign office must gain the support of the officials in China for its negotiations. Our government, accordingly, is sending a large commission of both military and civil leaders to confer with our China forces to effect the necessary unanimity."

Horinouchi intimated pending negotiations for a treaty to supplant the one which terminates by abrogation one month from now have been hindered by lack of agreement between the home government and the military forces. The army has been unwilling to go as far as the foreign office in yielding to United States demands regarding future rule of China.

The Ambassador, however, expressed his "earnest desire" for a new treaty. He said:

"Foreign Minister Nomura means business this time. He means to employ actions, not mere words of assurance, in obtaining agreement upon a new accord."

Nomura, in recent conversations with United States Ambassador Joseph Grew, reportedly offered indemnification of cases involving damage to American property and interests in China, and reopening of the rich Yangtze River route to third-power trade. He withheld assurances of an outright "open-door" policy in China, it was reported.

"There has been good progress made in the conversations between Ambassador Grew and Admiral Nomura, who has made several concessions, the most important of which was the one regarding reopening of the Yangtze. We all are hopeful of an early successful conclusion."

Senator Borah, (Republican), of Idaho, meanwhile promised Republican support for any sound negotiations undertaken to replace the 1911 treaty. Replying to a telegram from J. P. Herbert, Seattle businessman who had expressed the concern of Northwest lumbermen over the expiring treaty, Borah said:

"I favor using all reasonable efforts to maintain our general trade relations with Japan, excluding always arms and ammunition and implements of war. I feel Ambassador Grew is dealing with the situation with excellent judgment.

"I feel further that it is not only in the interest of business but in the interest of peace in the Far East, to maintain peaceful trade relations with Japan. In urging this I have no desire to work a wrong to China."

The telegram was a reply to a resolution adopted by the Grays Harbor and Willapa Harbor Lumber Mills, and sent to Borah, asserting that uncertainty over future trade relations was "seriously affecting" the placement of orders from Japan for Pacific northwest lumber and forest products.

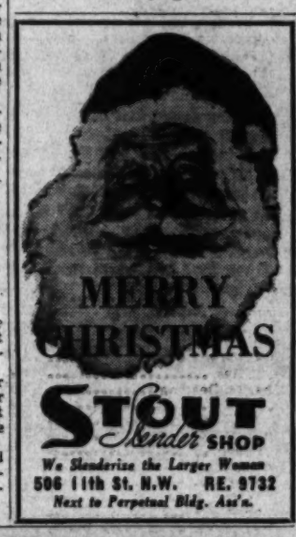
The resolution urged that the State Department be asked to announce that ordinary trade, with the possible exception of munitions, would continue on the same basis as before termination of the treaty.

Soldiers Prepared To Die for People, Woodring Says

In a Christmas broadcast to the American people, "our benevolent masters," Secretary of War Woodring declared yesterday:

"We in the Army, who are your humble servants, assure you of our readiness to live for you, to fight for you, and, if necessary, to die for you."

The Secretary of War expressed gratitude to the President and Congress for their interest in the national defense.



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Christmas Pageant Shown At Banneker

Season's Message Portrayed by Colored Community Groups

Merrymakers who missed the message of Christmas and two orphanes who found it were portrayed in pageantry, dancing and music in a city-wide program by colored community centers and playgrounds yesterday afternoon.

The stage of the new Banneker Junior High School was a-swirl with bright costumes of children playing in a village street at Christmas, as the presentation of "A Christmas Message" opened. Frank Johnson, as an old man, tried to tell them of the message. But as they scattered to their homes, only two orphans (enacted by Virginia Scott and J. Wendell Freeman) followed him to discover the "Four Madonnas of Prayer, Faith, Love and Beauty."

As each madonna in turn stood motionless on a pedestal, groups of girls in rhythm formed shifting tableaux, under changing multi-colored spotlights. The madonnas were Beatrice Prater, Mary Ann Minor, Anna Briscoe and Elinor Bell. The program was written and directed by Mrs. Mable Jones Freeman.

Carol singers from several churches and community centers led the audience out to the Christmas tree, which was lighted by Dr. Garnet C. Wilkinson, assistant superintendent of schools.

The program was sponsored by Pleasant Plains Civic Association, Monroe School Parent-Teacher Association, Bruce School P-T. A. and Banneker P-T. A.

Last-Minute Gifts To Aid More Needy

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to the Citizens Christmas Committee.

Five family welfare agencies of the Council of Social Agencies, which selected the 50 Neediest Families, now are able to choose approximately 10 more where the need is almost as great.

Christmas cheer will have permanent possibilities in these families which have been helped by Post readers. The security provided by an expenditure averaging $100 in each family will give them a chance for the future.

Yesterday's Gifts For Neediest Families

Washington Post Carriers in City Circulation Department	$56.35
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Elizabeth B. Jackson	2.00
Anonymous	3.00
Anonymous	1.00
Yesterday's total	$175.60
Previously reported	$7,280.33
Total to date	$7,455.93

Winchester Swine Sale Arranged

Winchester, Va., Dec. 24.—The Virginia Purebred Swine Breeders Association announced today that inspection of hogs for the sale here January 26 has been completed.

A larger supply of good breeding stock is on hand than usual. Herds that will be represented include those of Shenandoah Farm, New Market, Va.; C. S. Patterson, New Hope; H. Wayne Koiner, Crimora; Pittaway Farm, Midlothian; Ed Carpenter, Winchester; Shirley Brothers, Spout Spring; W. C. Wynham, Brightwood; R. S. Walker, Mt. Jackson; K. A. Keithly, Harrisonburg; H. N. Hutcherson, Winston; W. M. Terrill, Lahore; Harwood Farm, Middleburg; G. G. Dickenson, Woodstock, and Hugh Casey, Boyce.

Foxes Too Plentiful, Landowners Complain

Winchester, Va., Dec. 24.—A meeting of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, Carl H. Nolting, chairman, will be held at Richmond January 6 to consider a proposal that landowners in this county be permitted to hunt foxes with gun and dog or to kill foxes at any time on their own lands. The proposal originally was submitted at a meeting of the commission earlier this month.

Poultrymen, particularly those who raise turkeys, have complained from time to time of raids by foxes. In the western section of the county it has been necessary for guards to be posted at night to prevent raids.

Virginian Railway Reports Income Rise

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 24 (AP).—The Virginian Railway today announced through its comptroller, M. B. Goldblatt, that operating income showed a substantial increase in November over the corresponding month last year, and that operating income for the year through November was well ahead of the same period in 1938. Operating income for November was $946,692 as compared to $753,265 for the previous November. The operating income from January 1 to November 30 was reported at $7,566,248.83 as compared to $6,329,680.15 for the same period last year.

Staunton Coroner Reports on 22 Deaths

Staunton, Va., Dec. 24.—In his annual report to corporation court, Dr. C. W. Rodgers, city coroner, said he had handled 22 cases this year including 14 white persons and 8 colored. There were 8 violent deaths, 5 as a result of gunshot wounds, 3 self-inflicted.

Girl Stands on Artificial Legs And Expects to Dance Soon

Post Staff Photo

Martha Geesling, bed-ridden for 13 years, is shown in her hospital room with her Christmas presents, the best of which will enable her to walk again

Bed-Ridden 13 Years and Deprived of Limbs 18 Months, Martha Geesling Beams on World She Now Sees on Her Feet

Martha Geesling, 22, cast a grateful smile yesterday that expanded to a joyful laugh because she was on her feet again—after being bed-ridden for 13 years, and legless for some 18 months.

For an hour she stood on the artifical limbs, that made her 5 feet 2 inches tall, and beamed on the world from her room at the Emergency Hospital.

Doctors came in, saying "Congratulations;" and nurses and orderlies called "Merry Christmas" through the door. And Martha standing there laughed and was excited in her tiny world that looked differently to a person who sees it standing.

Soon She'll Dance

She didn't seem to be looking then at the little Christmas tree that kept blinking colored lights beside the bed; or at the colored Christmas cards arranged across the white iron bedstead; or at the basket of fruit, or the jar of candies, or the typewriter an anonymous person (whom she knows, incidentally), had given her.

She was seeing the world, standing up. So when somebody said again: "Congratulations, and I'll bet you'll soon be out dancing," she replied:

"I won't rush a thing now. I'm too glad I've gotten this far."

Martha had been helpless since a claybank, near Seat Pleasant, Md., toppled upon her. For years then she lay in hospital beds and nursing homes and lost her limbs entirely late in 1937. The surgeons amputated, but the girl's nerve stayed put. She constantly believed she would walk again and heard; some time ago, that artificial limbs would be her Christmas gift this year.

Everything Is All Right

They came early yesterday morning. Michael Savio, of Baltimore, who spent six weeks at work on them, brought them in. The adjustment didn't take long. Then Martha was standing, then sitting in a wheel chair by her bed.

Savio had happy eyes and confident words. "It will be a success," he said. "I know it will," Martha said. She flashed the broadest Christmas smile in Washington, and Savio's face mirrored it, and the congratulations were continued with Martha saying, "I'll be out; it will work; everything is all right now."

Procope, Staff Hold Grim Rites On Christmas Eve

Finnish Minister Hjalmar J. Procope and members of the legation staff held brief, grim rites last night in observance of the little nation's traditional Christmas Eve.

Because of the Russian invasion and the defenders' death struggle, the customary jubilation marking the religious celebration was missing; in its stead the determined hope that another Christmas Eve would find Finland again untroubled.

The minister revealed he had not had any direct word from Helsinki yesterday in regard to the progress of the war but expressed the hope that "no news is good news."

A Dark World Turns to Bethlehem

Pilgrim Thousands Listen for Peace Bells

Bethlehem, Dec. 24 (AP).—Pilgrims from a war-torn world came by thousands tonight to the Church of the Nativity and streamed through the crypt inside the church itself in which is marked the spot the Manger stood.

Kneeling, black-robed nuns prayed continuously to the sound of shuffling feet; monks moved with long tapers to fulfill their tasks; blue-clad British policemen mingled with civilians who came to spend Christmas Eve in the holiest city of Christendom.

They awaited the midnight hour, for the bells of Bethlehem to peal the message of peace on earth.

U. S. Bethlehem Lights Its Star

Bethlehem, Pa., Dec. 24 (AP).—A modern Star of Bethlehem—visible on cloudless nights for 15 miles—glows on a mountain top above this Pennsylvania namesake of old Judea's city of Nativity.

Radiating with the electric brilliance of 12,000 watts, it was erected as a permanent symbol of the "Christmas city" which a band of Moravian settlers founded nearly two centuries ago.

British Homes Broken at Holiday

London, Dec. 24 (AP).—The gravity of a nation at war underlay the traditional gaiety of the Christmas season today.

In countless thousands of homes the family Christmas will be impossible. Military service for fathers and the moving of children to the country have combined to separate parents from children, husbands from wives.

Newspapers published special articles contrasting the unhappy Christmas they asserted Germany must be having with glowing descriptions of bountiful feasting provided for British forces.

French Churches Are Crowded

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Paris, Dec. 24.—Never have the churches in France, where midnight mass is celebrated on Christmas Eve, been so crowded as this year.

The confusion in every man's mind and the silent protest in every woman's heart, which the war has produced, tonight sent thousands to the Madeleine Saint Sulpice, Sainte Clotilde, and many scores of churches in Paris.

But there is also rejoicing, the trains, both into and from Paris, have seldom been more heavily loaded this season with people going to family gatherings. Paris is filled with men on leave. The streets were never so full at any time since the war began as they were all yesterday afternoon and evening.

Polish Soldiers Celebrate in Paris

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Paris, Dec. 24.—Sorrowful but not downhearted, homesick but hopeful, a thousand Polish officers and men celebrated Christmas in a Paris barracks.

Premier Gen. Wladislas Sikorski, in a speech broadcast by special wave to occupied Poland assured all Polish people—at home and in exile—that victory was nearer than most believed.

Weather Delays Clippers at Horta

Horta, The Azores, Dec. 24 (INS).—American passengers aboard the Dixie Clipper and Yankee Clipper who had hoped to be home in the United States for Christmas dinner were foiled by the weather today when adverse atmospheric conditions forced additional 24-hour delay in the take-off from Horta for New York.

The two ships, en route from Lisbon, now are scheduled to arrive at their Port Washington, N. Y., base at noon Tuesday, December 26, instead of at noon Christmas Day.

Divine Invites Hoboes to Feast

New York, Dec. 24 (AP).—The city's hoboes have been invited to Christmas dinner by Father Divine at one of his branch "Heavens" tomorrow. A spokesman for the colored evangelist said it would start at noon and "last until long after midnight."

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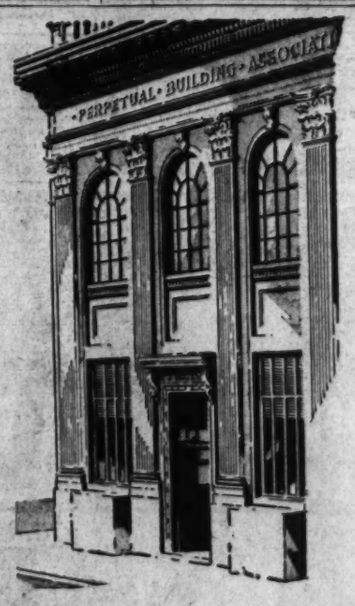

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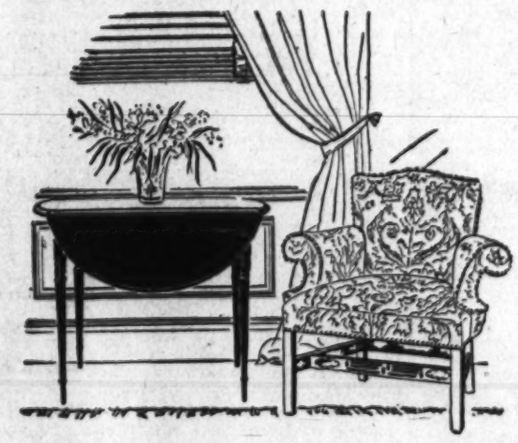

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Nelson B. Bell About the Showshops

Theater Guild Schedules New Hemingway Drama

'Fifth Column' One of Four New Productions; A Real Human Giant Is Coming to Town; News Notes and Gossip of the Theater

"'TWAS THE NIGHT before Christmas, and all through the house . . ." But maybe it would be just as well not to go on with that one, because in the house of the Theater Guild the pre-Christmas week-end was one of the busiest in its history. Within the brief space of three days, the Guild announced the acquisition of four new plays for early production.

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With Theresa Helburn and Lawrence Langner in charge, perhaps the most important disclosure by the new administrative board concerns the Guild's decision to place Ernest Hemingway's drama of "The Fifth Column" in immediate rehearsal. Written in Madrid during the Spanish revolution, "The Fifth Column" deals with the Fascist organization of wreckers that worked within the loyalist lines during the siege of that city. It is said to be a pulsating story of love and war. The acting version has been prepared by Benjamin F. Glazer.

As important as the resolve to put the play into quick production is the announcement, made almost in the same breath, that Franchot Tone will forsake the films, for the time being, to play an important role in the Hemingway drama. Tone scored his first stage hit in "Red Rust," sponsored by the Theater Guild in 1929. His last appearance under the Guild banner was in Lynn Rigg's "Green Grow Lilacs," eight years ago. Lee Strasberg will direct "The Fifth Column."

The other three plays which the Guild has placed on its production schedule are "Marie-Adelaide," by Bertram Bloch and Isabel Leighton, which deals with the life of the 21-year-old Grand Duchess, who defied the Kaiser in her violation of the neutrality of Luxembourg; "First Stop to Heaven," by Norman Rosten, winner of one of the first prize awards of the Bureau of New Plays three years ago, and "Turn Again Home," a modern drama, by Morley Callaghan.

Nice going—if they all keep going.

Which reminds me that this is as good a time as any to remind you to remind yourself that the Shuberts' new production of "The White Plume," the musicalized version of Edmond Rostand's romantic drama of "Cyrano de Bergerac," will have its premiere performance in the National Theater tomorrow night, instead of tonight, as originally announced. This decision—as first made known here—was reached late last week in order to insure a letter-perfect first-night performance of one of the Shuberts' most pretentious productions. Something of the necessity of the postponement is now easily understood by those who watched the production begin to move into the National as early as last Saturday afternoon. It evidently is one of the biggest the National has housed. That sort of thing cannot be set up over night. But the important thing is that those who had already secured seats for tonight's ostensible opening now are faced with the need of a little rapid scurrying about to make satisfactory exchanges for later in the week. In the meantime, the cast of 118 is working its collective head off in continuous rehearsal against that flawless Tuesday night premiere.

As far back as a year or so ago, when we last talked with him about it, Walter Wanger was enthusiastic in his desire to convert Vincent Sheean's colorfully biographical book, "Personal History," into a motion picture. Now he actually is getting around to doing it.

To that end he has engaged James Hilton, celebrated British author, to scenarize the screen treatment of the book upon which Charles Bennett and Joan Harrison have been working with Director Alfred Hitchcock for more than a month. After "Lost Horizon," "Goodbye, Mr. Chips" and "We Are Not Alone," Mr. Hilton needs no recommendation to the cinema wise.

"Personal History" will visualize the unusual romance, trials, ambitions and revelations of an energetic and keen-sighted American newspaperman abroad. Production is scheduled to begin early in the new year—which could be any time after this week.

Meanwhile, the Wanger studio is concentrating on the editing and musical scoring of "Slightly Honorable"—last tag of the picture that started out as "Send Another Coffin"—and the George Raft-Joan Bennett costarrer, "House Across the Bay;" Sheridan Gibney is at work on the screen play for Taylor Caldwell's best-seller, "Dynasty of Death," and Sonya Levien is preparing the working script for a pretentious successor to "Stage Coach," bearing the title, "So Gallantly Gleaming."

Watch that Film Time Table today. All of the motion picture theaters are giving special Christmas matinees on trick schedules, none beginning earlier than 2 p. m. (Just a Boy Scout at heart, trying to save you a lot of lost time, wasted motion and blue language.)

Gulliver, in person, will visit Washington on Tuesday. A real human giant, standing 8 feet in his boots, will come out of the sky early tomorrow morning to devote the day to proving that Goliaths really exist outside of story books. The towering young man is Dave Ballard, aged 24. He is traveling about the country startling folks into sudden consciousness that "Gulliver's Travels," the Technicolor cartoon-feature, is coming along to the holiday screens of the country in a hurry. It will arrive at Loew's Palace on Friday. Ballard is a native of Texas, was a star basketball player in college, appeared in Billy Rose's "Jumbo" and was a hit at the New York World's Fair. He will be, of all places, in the girls' department of Lansburgh's tomorrow at 11 a. m., and again between 2 and 4 p. m., to distribute autographed photographs to those wishing them. He also will be presented on the stage at Loew's Capitol at the last performance tomorrow night.

And another thing. Tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock the Variety Club will hold its annual Christmas party for the kiddies, in the clubrooms at the Willard Hotel. Refreshments, gifts, motion pictures, etc., etc., will be presented gratis for the Yuletide jollification of the youngsters of "show business."

Now-That-That's-Over Note

Saturday certainly was one swell day for Christmas shopping—there weren't any more customers in the stores than there are bones in a shad!

'The Same to You and Many of Them!'

"MERRY CHRISTMAS!"
is what Ida Lupino, wreathed in smiles and a wreath, would be saying

The New Yorker

By Leonard Lyons

New York, Dec. 24.

CITY HALL DEPARTMENT: Mayor LaGuardia told a local Democratic official last week: "Your crowd and mine will have to get together. We may be in the same boat next year." He was referring to the matter of his getting the nomination for Vice President . . . LaGuardia last week also inaugurated a new ceremony for his City Hall staff. They line up for inspection each morning, and he dismisses them with: "You may be excused" . . . Fiorello wrote to Lou Costello, of Abbott & Costello—who resembles him—stating: "If you want to take over my job, it's yours. I'll get the police commissioner to back you up—but you'll have to be able to withstand many knocks."

PERSONALS: Virginia Welles, who now is in Reno to divorce her husband, Orson Welles, received a phone call from her mother, who had read reports that she was planning to remarry . . . "Is it true that you're going to become Mrs. Lederer?" asked her mother. "I think he's a very nice man" . . . "Oh, do you know Charlie?" asked Virginia . . . "'Charlie?'" replied her mother. "I thought the papers said 'Francis.'"

FOREIGN DISPATCH: The British government, which is helping distribute the anti-Nazi movie, "Prof. Mamlock," as a propaganda measure, removed the prefatory part which indicated that the movie was made in Russia . . . But now that the Soviet-Nazi ties are being bound more tightly, the Russian credits will be restored, as evidence that the portrayal is accurate.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT: George Jean Nathan introduced Sidney Kingsley to John Mason Brown, the critic who had panned Kingsley's "The World We Make"—particularly the realistic laundry scene . . . Brown told them that he hopes that his 3-year-old son will become a critic. "I'm training him," he confessed, "by taking him into the study every morning to look at a bust of G. B. Shaw" . . . "I've got a better way," Nathan suggested. "I'll get the toy carousel from Saroyan's 'Time of Your Life' and he can play with that" . . . "You can teach a child by good example," said Kingsley, "but also by bad, Mr. Brown. I'll give him a model of my laundry scene. Every day after he's looked at Shaw's bust and played with Saroyan's carousal, push the boy's face close to my laundry scene, wag your finger at him and warn: 'Uh, uh—mustn't.'"

FINANCE DEPARTMENT: Sam Boston has $4,000 to bet—at 4 to 1—that Paul V. McNutt will not receive the Democratic nomination for President . . . Mr. Boston will also take $1,000 wagers upon Roosevelt's candidacy—at odds of 4 to 5, either way.

LOCAL NEWS: Billy Rose is backing the Guild's production of Hemingway's "The Fifth Column," which will star Franchot Tone. Frances Farmer will appear in it. Joseph Calleia also is being signed . . . Virginia Peine, the screen actress, is being rehearsed for the road company of "Margin for Error" . . . Edith Dahl, whose aviator husband still is a prisoner in Spain, is negotiating to appear at Lew Brown's French Casino . . . Katharine Hepburn, who has been taking flying lessons at Capt. Evers' flying school, just purchased a flivver plane . . . When the city council convenes next year, one of the first moves will be an attempt to eliminate P. R. by referendum.

DRAMA DEPARTMENT: Artie Shaw, who now is in Mexico, made two phone calls last week to Betty Grable, who is appearing in the new Lahr-Merman show . . . Shaw suggested that Betty fly to Mexico and marry him . . . "But I've got a run-of-the-play contract," she protested . . . We'll see about that later," the band leader told her. "I've got a good lawyer" . . . "Well," replied Betty, whose divorce decree from Jackie Coogan won't be final for many months, "if he's such a good lawyer, he might tell you such a marriage wouldn't be legal."

ASTROLOGY DEPARTMENT: Oscar Serlin, producer of "Life With Father," went from table to table at Sardi's yesterday trying to find somebody who knew anything about astrology . . . "It's this way," Serlin explained. "My birthday and President Roosevelt's fall on the same day. And our show was selected to play the command performance in Washington for the Birthday Ball. What does that mean? Does it mean anything?" . . . "Sure," Eddy Duchin assured him. "It only means you've got the best show in town."

Gayety

Alabama may not be represented in the Rose Bowl this year, but one of her native daughters, lovely Zonia DuVal, is the featured attraction of this week's gala holiday treat at the Gayety.

Possessing a sweet voice and a million-dollar smile, Miss DuVal offers several musical specialties and enchanting beauty parades which leave the customers avariciously clamoring for more.

The comedy portion of the program offers such droll fellows as Johnny Barry, Billy Lee and Max Coleman. This trio of funsters have an abundance of comedy material at their command which makes the dull moments few and far between. Incidentally, Barry, who is one of the most original character comedians in burlesque today, is a local lad.

On the distaff side of the program, such talented personalities as Evelyn Brooks, Lillias Carver and Cecil DeVine do much toward making the production an entertaining one. Miss Brooks is excellent in her "talking sequences," while Miss Carver turns out to be the best ballet dancer seen this season at the Gayety.

Film Table

R K O-Keith's — "Hunchback of Notre Dame," at 2:15, 4:40, 7:05 and 9:30 p. m.

Earle—"On Dress Parade," at 3, 5:25, 7:50 and 10:20 p. m. Stage shows at 4:25, 6:55 and 9:20 p. m.

Loew's Capitol—"Everything Happens at Night," at 2, 4:45, 7:35 and 10:30 p. m.. Stage shows at 3:35, 6:30 and 9:25 p. m.

Palace—"Ninotchka," at 2, 4:30, 7:05 and 9:35 p. m.

Metropolitan — "The Flying Deuces," at 3:50, 5:50, 7:50 and 9:50. Short subject.

Columbia — "Drums Along the Mohawk," at 2:25, 4:50, 7:15 and 9:35 p. m.

Little—"Dawn Over Ireland," at 2:10, 5:10 and 8:20 p. m., "Rembrandt," at 3:40, 6:40 and 9:50 p. m.

Trans-Lux—Newsreel and shorts, at 10 and 11:45 a. m., 12:30, 1:45, 3, 4:15, 5:30, 6:45, 8, 9:15 and 10:45 p. m.

Tivoli — "That's Right, You're Wrong," at 3:15, 5:25, 7:30 and 9:40 p. m.

Ambassador—"On Dress Parade," at 3, 4:45, 6:25, 8:10 and 9:55 p. m.

Uptown—"The Real Glory," at 3:25, 5:25, 7:30 and 935 p. m.

Calvert — "That's Right, You're Wrong," at 3:35, 5:40, 7:35 and 9:50 p. m.

Louella O. Parsons

Close-Ups and Long-Shots Of the Motion Picture Scene

New York, Dec. 24 (INS).—There will be no holiday festivities for Bob Montgomery and Ben Goetz, who the day after Christmas, will be flying to New York en route to London for two Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer pictures. Several days ago I told you M-G-M was starting up English production again in a big way—war or no war. But the decision to start the ball rolling immediately in the London studio, starring Bob in "I Had a Comrade," came out of the blue.

LOUELLA PARSONS

Equally surprising is the selection of Viscount Castelrosse's Nazi political story, "I Had a Comrade," for Bob's first picture over there. Since it presents the Nazis in a none too flattering light, I'd say, off hand, it's a ticklish venture for a London production. Second film will be the long postponed "Busman's Honeymoon," which was originally scheduled for London production before the war broke out. Because of passport difficulties in war times, Mrs. Montgomery and Mrs. Goetz will not be permitted to accompany their husbands on the Atlantic clipper.

One of John Barrymore's daughters (now don't get excited) —the youngest in "My Dear Children," is headed for Hollywood. Her name is Lois Hall. Sol Lesser saw her, liked her, signed her and she's leaving for Hollywood to play the role of Emily in "Our Town." She is described to me as 20 years old, a brown-eyed blonde, who was formerly with the Guild Players in New York and a gal, so they say, who is not only easy on the eyes, but can act. Here's wishing her luck in Hollywood.

Snapshots of New York collected at random: The lad who wrote the sensational tirades against our Hollywood movie stars, Harry Brandt, celebrated his twenty-fifth year in show business. He and his brother, Bill, friends of mine for many years, invited me to come to the big jubilee at the Hotel Astor, celebrating Harry's anniversary. Nice to see Jimmy Walker, who was one of the speakers. Senator Wagner was also a guest at the speakers' table. Looking around I saw exhibitors I hadn't seen since I used to cover the theater owners' conventions. Bill Brandt is one of our most prosperous theater owners and controls so many theaters I suspect he has lost count; our opening day at Loew's State exciting, with so many old friends in both theatrical and newspaper world paying me a visit. Thrya Samter Winslow, who worked with me on the Chicago Tribune long before Hitler, airplanes and talkies, came back stage. They buy her short stories as fast as she can turn them out. Jesse Ozias Donahue, who really was one of my first newspaper friends in Chicago, Hattie Silverman and numberless other people were among our well wishers.

That's all for today. See you tomorrow!

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Opens today 2:45—First show 3 P. M. Don Ameche-Alice Faye in "Hollywood Cavalcade." At 3:25, 5:30, 7:30, 9:35. Short subject.

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Opens today 2:30—First show 3 P. M. Deanna Durbin in "First Love." At 3, 4:40, 6:20, 8, 9:45. Also Short.

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Opens today 2:45—First show 3 P. M. Baby Sandy-Hugh Herbert in "Little Accident." At 3, 4:40, 6:35, 8:10, 9:55.

BEVERLY 15th & E. N.E. LI. 3300
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Opens today 2:30—First show 3 P. M. "Kid Nightingale" with John Payne-Jane Wyman. At 3, 5:40, 8:35. Anna Neagle-Edna May Oliver in "Nurse Edith Cavell." At 3:45, 6:40, 9:35.

COLONY 4935 Ga. Ave. N.W. GE. 6500
Opens today 2:45—First show 3 P. M. Alice Faye-Don Ameche in "Hollywood Cavalcade." At 3, 5:10, 7:20, 9:35. Also short subject.

HOME 1230 C St. N.E. AT. 6188
Opens today 2:45—First show 3 P. M. Joe Penner in "The Day the Bookies Wept." At 3, 5:45, 8:30. Richard Greene in "Here I Am a Stranger." At 4:20, 7:05, 9:55. Also short.

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Opens today 2:30—First show 3 P. M. Bette Davis-Errol Flynn in "The Private Lives of Elizabeth and Essex." At 3, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45. News.

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TIVOLI 14th & Park Rd. N.W. COL. 1800
Opens today 2:30—First show 3 P. M. Kay Kyser in "That's Right, You're Wrong." At 3:15, 5:25, 7:30, 9:40.

UPTOWN Conn. Ave. & Newark WO. 5400
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In Hollywood

With Hedda Hopper

More than 40 years ago a New York publisher, as a Christmas editorial replied to a little girl who asked if there really was a Santa Claus. And that editorial was so forceful, sincere and moving, that it still finds its way into print every year 'round this time. Now, if the "little girl" had lived in Hollywood and had asked a Hollywood editor a similar question, the letter and answer, both slightly paraphrased, might have read something like this:

HOPPER

Dear Hollywood Editor:

I'm supposed to be sweet 16. (Between you, me and the gatepost, I'm older than that). Some of my friends say there is no Santa Claus in Hollywood. Please tell me the truth. Is there a Hollywood Santa Claus? Hopefully,
SOPHIE SOFTSOAP

DEAR SOPHIE: Your friends are wrong. There are many Santa Clauses in Hollywood— not as many as there are Sophies, perhaps—but at least one for every block, not counting Hollywood Boulevard and Christmas Tree Lane. All minds, Sophie are either big or little minds, whether they belong to producers, prop men and sometimes it isn't easy to tell them apart. Not even Will Hays knows everything.

Yes, Sophie, there is a Hollywood Santa Claus. He exists just as surely as contracts are signed and torn up, as options and faces are lifted or allowed to sag. What a sad place Hollywood would be if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Sophie Softsoap. And there are plenty of those as you well know. If we had no Santa we would have no faith in producers' promises, in agents' commissions or actors' gestures. And then where would we be?

Not to believe in Santa Claus, you might as well not believe in Sam Goldwyn, Bryhie Foy, Cecil B. DeMille or Orson Welles. You might stand in line at a studio paymaster's window and never once see the checks that are handed out there to Bette Davis, Errol Flynn, Clark Gable, Greta Garbo or Tyrone Power. But that wouldn't prove that they weren't being paid, would it, Sophie? Nobody sees the stars' checks, Sophie, because few stars ever see their own checks anyway. Because their agents bank 'em and advise them how to spend them. But, of course, you don't have to take that advice, though it's easier on you and your agent if you do. Why, some stars even think they earn them!

The very idea! Why, only a few years ago, before she even went to High School, Lana Turner stood on Hollywood Boulevard and waved to Santa and Shirley Temple and said to herself: "Someday, I'm going to be up there in Shirley's place." Sure, enough, this Christmas, she was. Why, even for Santa there was a Santa, in the person of President Roosevelt, when he changed our Thanksgiving date, Santa got one more ride up Hollywood Boulevard which added $7.80 to his bankroll.

And I never realized before what a thrill it was to see thousands of eager, expectant children with those up-turned, angelic faces knowing that they'd get from Santa Claus what they asked for. And I was wishing that every dictator in the world could be taken for a ride up that street. Why, it might even stop the war. And Rudy Vallee said, when he reached terra firma again: "All these years I've thought a dog was a great companion. I've just realized after looking at those children what I've missed." So, Sophie, there's your cue—go right to work and hang up your stockings. And who knows? Maybe Rudy Vallee will fall right out of it. Then will you believe in Santa?

No Hollywood Santa? Sophie, I'm ashamed of you—and of your friends as well. Two options and $1,000 a week next Christmas and you'll know, if you're that lucky, that the Hollywood Santa Claus does exist and that once each week he passes out a little slip of paper to gladden the hearts of all the lucky Sophies and Slapsies.

Little

The Little Theater's second annual International Cinema Festival contributes two sharply contrasted films to the entertainment of the Capital the first three days of Christmas week. One is a revival of "Rembrandt," starring Charles Laughton, with his wife, Elsa Lanchester, and Gertrude Lawrence in the cast; the other, "Dawn Over Ireland," a story of the Irish Rebellion.

The Charles Laughton appearing in "Rembrandt" will hardly be recognized as the same Charles Laughton to be seen in the role of Quasimodo, in "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," opening on another downtown screen today. Anyone wishing to form an accurate estimate of the Laughton versatility should see both. In "Rembrandt," as will be remembered by a great many theatergoers, Laughton appears in the title role and makes vivid the harried life of one of the world's great painters, who went from riches to poverty and back to a competence again through the inspiration of one of his servants. While Miss Lanchester is a known screen quantity, this subject affords Gertrude Lawrence one of the few gelatin opportunities she has embraced.

"Dawn Over Ireland" will present no spectacle of great "acting," but it will atone for that by the acute realism of its characters and the precarious situations in which they find themselves. The picture is a sort of one-man job. Tom Cooper not only wrote and directed the story, but plays the principal role, as well. He has crowded a tremendous amount of sincerity into every facet of his work.

The double bill, suitably supplemented, will continue through tomorrow.

Protestants Split on U. S. Mission to Pope

Baptist Hints Protest; Freeman Applauds; Others Doubt Value

Protestant opinion in Washington appears divided on President Roosevelt's appointment of Myron C. Taylor as his "personal representative" to the Vatican to coordinate efforts for peace, comment yesterday indicated.

Baptists notably are opposed to the move.

From Dr. Cyrus Adler, president of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in Philadelphia, one of two American clergymen invited to discuss world affairs with the President, came hearty approbation of the plan. Rabbi Adler telegraphed the President it would be a "privilege" to work with him.

"Your fellow countrymen and the world at large," wired Rabbi Adler, "take new courage from the fact that you are again throwing your vivid and forceful leadership in the cause of peace.

"It is a noble deed to bring the forces of religion together. I have the confident hope that the leaders will unite the members of their churches and synagogues into a unanimous support of your efforts.

Baptists Voice Opposition

"I gladly take the opportunity to send good wishes to his holiness, the Pope, and to Dr. Buttrick (president of the Federal Council of Churches in America, the other clergyman addressed by the President) and feel sure that all true men of good faith will in their several ways further your inspired leadership.

"I can say without qualification that the watchword of the Jewish people is Israel's mission of peace and that this holds true for all the scattered communities to which the Jewish people have been dispersed and are now, alas, being further dispersed with great brutality."

Opposition to the appointment was voiced by Dr. Rufus W. Weaver, executive secretary of the District of Columbia Baptist convention. He cited action of all three Baptist conventions in the United States against "diplomatic relations being formed with any ecclesiastical body."

"During the past year," Dr. Weaver said, "American Baptists in the annual sessions of their three general conventions have taken definite action with regard to diplomatic relations with the Vatican. At their three general conventions, representing 10,167,000 members, by a unanimous vote it was decided that they "oppose diiplomatic relations being formed with any ecclesiastical body.

"It seems that the appointment of Mr. Taylor as envoy to Vatican City violates the expressed declaration of the Baptists of America. I do not know what action will be taken, but I am sure something will be done in the form of a protest.

The Right Rev. James E. Freeman, Episcopal Bishop of Washington, praised the appointment of Taylor.

"Any movement in the interest of peace is a very worthy movement," he said. "I know Myron Taylor very well, and there is no one better equipped to assume the task he is undertaking."

Appointment of Taylor "does virtually accord recognition" of the Papal State, said the Rev. Dr. Frederick Broan Harris, pastor of Foundry Methodist Church, although President Roosevelt "assured me some months ago he had no intention of recognizing the See of Rome . . . I am utterly opposed to any direct or implied recognition of the papal court as a political entity or a temporal power."

"As everybody knows who hears me," he said, "I regard the Catholic Church as one of the greatest forces for peace and righteousness in all the world, but that is a very different matter from yielding to its pretensions as a temporal power.

"I have personally stated my views on this matter to the President, and he assured me some months ago he had no intention of so recognizing the See of Rome. It seems the appointment now made does accord such recognition, even though, to avoid Protestant protest, the label 'ambassador' is not assumed.

Prefers Aid to Finns

"The logical procedure, it seems to me, would be for the President to carry out his laudable decision to keep in close touch with the organized religious life of the Republic by conferring with the recognized head of the Churches of Christ in American and with the papal delegate here, who is in constant touch with Rome, and with an accepted representative of the Jewish faith, rather than send $17,000 of ambassadorial dignity to the papal court, high grade as that ambassador may be and is. We must still remember it is a court which joined in the jubilee when Catholic Italy mowed down thousands of defenseless fellow Christians in Ethiopia."

The Rev. Dr. J. Lowrey Fendrich, pastor of Metropolitan Presbyterian Church, found in the President's action a "step in the right direction" but expressed small faith in its success. He urged prayers for its success.

President Roosevelt was credited by Rabbi Julius Loeb, retired pastor of Southeast Hebrew Congregation, with "being an emissary of peace for America and the world. And with him to share in the glory as the great humanitarians of the present are Myron C. Taylor and James G. McDonald, former high commissioner for German refugees."

"The peace movement," said Rabbi Loeb, "unquestionably is a fine gesture in keeping with the spirit of the Christian season of 'peace on earth and good-will to men.' A movement toward peace among nations is always in order, but especially so at this time."

The Rev. Dr. Gould J. Wickey, head of the Education Board, United Lutheran Church in America, recalled that the late William Howard Taft was sent to the Vatican by President Theodore Roosevelt. The present action, he declared, is "very significant."

"Anything for peace, as he conceived Taylor's appointment to be, was hailed by the Rev. Dr. Benjamin G. Wilkinson, sr., president of Washington Missionary College, of the Seventh Day Adventist Church, Takoma Park, Md.

"Any effort to make peace is acceptable," said Dr. Wilkinson. "The shake-up of personnel in Europe as a result of the war may lead to peace. It is all right for the President to make use of any influence through the Roman Church that will bring about a desirable end."

Opinions of members of Congress included these:

Senator King (Democrat), Utah, a Mormon, expressed heartiest commendation" of the President's course. He said he "saw no reason why we should not also recognize the Vatican as a sovereign power."

Representative Bloom (Democrat), New York, chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said restoration of diplomatic intercourse with the Papal state would be "a logical step."

Senator Vandenberg (Republican), Michigan, a possible Presidential candidate, "heartily applauded" and added the President "should complete the job by sending Soviet Ambassador Oumansky back to Moscow." Of diplomatic recognition of the Vatican, Vandenberg said, "we can cross that bridge when we come to it."

Senator Borah (Republican), Idaho, ranking minority member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, promised "hearty support" of the President.

McNary Praises Move

"I hope the President's move for peace will appeal to the hearts and minds of all governments and peoples," he said. "I support it most heartily and I shall continue to support it, even when we take up the unreasonable armaments bills which await us and which will impose further crushing burdens upon our people."

Senate Republican Leader McNary, of Oregon, labeled the appointment "commendable" and Senator Adams (Democrat), Colorado, said he considered Taylor "a very fine man."

Senator McCarran (Democrat), Nevada, held the appointment to be "one of the finest things this country has done for a long time."

Tuscaloosa's Skipper Feared Columbus' Captain Would Kill Himself, He Reveals

Post Staff Photo

Capt. Harry A. Badt, commander of the cruiser Tuscaloosa, is home with his family for Christmas after rescuing the crew of the scuttled Nazi liner Columbus. Mrs. Badt holds Esther Ellen, 10 months. The other child is Lois Mae, 12

Fear the captain of the scuttled German liner Columbus might commit suicide, gave his rescuer an uneasy 42 hours, Capt. Harry A. Badt, commanding the United States cruiser Tuscaloosa, revealed yesterday.

Capt. Badt had just reached his wife's mother's home at 1620 Allison street northwest to spend a Christmas furlough with his wife and two children. With him he brought a lifebelt from the Columbus and a sprig of holly from Norfolk.

"All the way in I was afraid Capt. Daehne might commit suicide," he said. "He seemed to choke up when he tried to thank me for what we had done for him and his men.

"The loss of his ship was a harder blow to Daehne than anyone supposed. I knew that he was very deeply grieved. I had him and his staff captain to my quarters for dinner after the rescue. He would not eat and asked to retire to his assigned quarters. Next morning he declined a large breakfast, having only a glass of orange juice."

Capt. Badt was firm in his opinion no "naval action' preceded the liner's scuttling and the rescue of her crew of 576 off the Delaware Capes Tuesday to avoid capture by a British destroyer. He said he heard "what sounded like gunfire," but no one aboard the Tuscaloosa saw smoke or the splash of a shell.

"But there was no naval action. I can say that. A shot across the bow would not constitute what we call naval action."

At 3:10 p. m. Tuesday, he said, "I saw the fast lowering of lifeboats," and he stood away from the Columbus in case the German commander had determined to blow his vessel to bits.

"At that moment I didn't know what was happening," Badt related, "but I knew within reason they were going to scuttle. I was afraid they were going to blow her up with a time bomb. Ten minutes later I received the distress message from Daehne, 'Ready to scuttle ship; British destroyer nearby.'

"In record time the sea valves were open and the ship fired. I understood a torch was used, and possibly gasoline had been sprayed over the Columbus' superstructure. But whatever else, it was a quick job, which showed long premeditation."

The Tuscaloosa had kept the Columbus under "observation" almost a full day before its encounter with the British warship Hyperion, Badt said. He picked her up about dusk the day before and kept her in sight until she went to the bottom.

Two Die In Sleep

Two firemen who went down with the liner, the only members of the crew who failed to escape, must have "slept themselves to death," said Badt. He said he was told they had gone off watch at noon and presumably were asleep below decks.

"It was a pretty smooth operation," he conceded. "Our first idea was to save lives. The British destroyer asked us if we would pick up survivors. I answered that we would. The captain sent a message of thanks. Its commander was most solicitious throughout. The destroyer could have accommodated only a few of the survivors.'

Badt admitted accommodations aboard his own Tuscaloosa left much to be desired, the cruiser already carrying its crew of 600. "But," he said, "it was better than sleeping in open lifeboats."

Last night he shooed reporters out and turned to the business of playing Santa Claus to his daughters, Lois Mae, 12, and Esther Ellen, 9 months, to whom neutrality patrols and scuttled liners are really inconsequential.

Crew Examination is Completed

New York, Dec. 24.—The examination of the crew of 576 from the scuttled North German Lloyd Liner Columbus was completed at the Ellis Island immigration station today, Byron H. Uhl, district director, said a report would be forwarded to Washington as rapidly as possible.

However, there was no chance of any of the men being released before Tuesday, and possibly not until later in the week. The entire crew will be served a turkey dinner tomorrow as the guests of the Government.

Taylor Says Pope Suggested United Front Against Pagans

New York, Dec. 24 (AP).—Myron C. Taylor recalled today, in his first pronouncement on his appointment as special peace missioner to the Vatican, that he and Pope Pius XII had discussed the future of Christendom here two years ago.

While his appointment to the special post of ambassador without portfolio to the Hofily See was hailed far and wide as an expression of hope for peace on earth, Taylor, an Episcopalian of Quaker ancestry, told of the visit of the then Cardinal Eugenio Pacelli at his home here.

"I am greatly honored," Taylor said, "in the appointment by President Roosevelt as his personal representative to the Vatican. The prospect of conference with the Holy Father, Pius XII, in the cause of world peace and good will is most inspiring. No cause could find any one of us more willing to serve to the utmost of his ability

"I am doubly pleased that the opportunity comes through the field of religion, that great cornerstone on which civilization and man's dearest hopes for the future have and must rest if human destiny is to achieve its ultimate triumph over the forces of evil.

"I am emboldened," Taylor went on, "to refer to a remark made to me by his holiness in a personal conversation at our home in New York about two years ago, in effect that in the days soon to come all the forces of religion would need to align themselves together against a revival of paganism if our civilization were to be saved.

"How true a prophecy that was, current world events will bring home to very right thinking man. It will lead him to the question, How can I serve? That will overshadow his every thought. Our generation is too well grounded in the fundamental principles of justice, charity and brotherly love to even consider any evasion of such a duty, and when the call comes, all will serve. My call has come. I seek to serve usefully. That we may succeed in our efforts is my Christmas prayer."

Hitler Gives Yule Cheer at the Front

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as our U-boats, our destroyers, our mine layers, and our cruisers carry their torpedoes and their mines; so far as the guns of our big ships shoot, extends the power of National Socialist Germany. It extends as far as our pursuit planes, our observation planes and our long-range bombers can carry the battle. It extends as far as the German soldiers' spirit.

"The German nation feels that God sent us the man to right the nameless wrongs which once were inflicted on us, to guarantee our freedom and bring at last eternal peace to the tortured world. And this is our prayer: God, You gave our nation Your blessing. We, God, will win Your blessing in the coming year. We will earn your blessing in battle for our country, for the man whom you gave us."

Speaking for the army, Von Brauchitsch reaffirmed the iron determination of every German soldier to resist the Allied war aims, which he described as the "division of the German nation—destruction of our culture.

"In this situation," he continued, "there is only one aim for us to take up which war forced on us—to fight it with iron determination to a victorious end. The day will come when to a great German nation, vital space for 80,000,000 people will be assured of its integrity, for right is on our side.

"Common experiences welded us into an indestructible unit, filled with the will to win, and conviction of our own strength and superiority."

The spirit of this war Christmas in Germany is perhaps best expressed by the Frankfurter Zeitung, which writes:

"Today each one of us must understand that his private life, his personal considerations, must remain in the background until the moment comes when we can say: The battle is won, Germany has asserted herself."

Finns Drive Back Reds on 3 Fronts

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tanks is well above 200. Some dozens of airplanes have been brought down. We have also captured dozens of cannon, hundreds of machine guns and other war materials.

"In comparison, our losses are small."

Russian Naval Base Burns

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Helsinki, Dec. 24.—A Finnish officer asserted today the Finns retaliated for the first air raid on Helsinki by bombarding the Russian naval base of Kronstadt. Munitions magazines and wharves burned for four days, he said.

It was for this reason, he said, that the Red cruiser Kirow was sent to an Estonian port for repairs after having been damaged in a sea battle.

(Several days after the start of the Soviet invasion Helsinki reports that Kronstadt was burning were denied officially by both Finns and Russians.)

British "Soldiers" Reported

Viipuri, Dec. 24 (AP).—Strange stories were attributed by Finnish officers today to Russian prisoners, some of whom were quoted as saying they believed they were fighting the British.

The prisoners asserted they were told the Finnish army had been smashed by the Russian drive and that the British now faced the Soviets.

Russian War Sidelights

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Moscow, Dec. 24 (AP).—Some Russian sidelights on the undeclared war against Finland:

Two of Moscow's biggest hospitals are reported to be given over exclusively to soldiers wounded in the Finnish campaign and medical students have been pressed into service to treat them.

Soviet airplane factories are working 24 hours a day in view of the Finnish campaign and the international situation, a reliable source said. It was said workers asked "voluntarily" to extend their hours.

Another assurance that "Finnish workers" would rise against the Helsinki government was contained in an article in Red Star, organ of the Red army.

Finns Claim 55 Planes

According to Finnish tabulations, about 55 Russian planes have been shot down in the last four days.

"Real winter has come at last," said a military official, expressing confidence that the Russians would be unable to withstand the bitter weather and would be forced to duplicate on other fronts their retreat in the Salmajaervi region.

In many places roads were snowed under, making it impossible for the Russians to move tanks and other mechanized equipment, but aiding the Finnish guerrilla-type of resistance.

The Finnish radio in a Christmas Eve broadcast said'

"Our troops are rather inactive this Christmas-Eve. According to the latest reports which we are receiving, the Russians are retreating from several fronts owing to the weather conditions from which we have taken new heart."

Pope Offers New Peace Plan

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negotiations must be undertaken with "necessary guarantees and precautions."

His heart, said the Pope, was filled with "immense sorrow" at seeing that this Christmas must be celebrated among the "ominous roaring of guns," the "terror spread by military flying machines and the traps and snares of armed ships."

Nazis Rebuked Indirectly

As the world has forgotten the "message of Christ, Christian brotherhood, and the voice of reason," he continued, "we have to witness a series of actions which are irreconcilable with the canons of international law, the principles of natural law and the most elementary feelings of humanity." One of the actions he stressed was the "premeditated aggression against a small, laborious, peaceful people on the pretext of a threat which was neither existing, wanted nor even possible."

After indirectly rebuking Germany for preventing the church from "bringing the aid of Christian charity in regions where the need is most urgent and real," the Pope voiced deep concern for the "future economic, social and spiritual status of Europe" when nations impoverished by war may become the easy prey of communism, which is hoping to "give Christian Europe the final blow."

He counseled rulers not to forget the dangers lying ahead, urging them "to define at the opportune and appropriate moment" the fundamental points for a just and honorable peace and "not to refuse bluntly negotiations with necessary guarantees and precautions if the occasion arises."

Peace Conditions Outlined

The Pope then went on to outline the five conditions for peace. In the first place, he said, "the right to life and independence of all nations, large and small, powerful and weak," must be guaranteed because "the will to live of one nation must not be the equivalent of a death sentence for another."

In the second he called for "disarmament which must mutually be agreed upon, organic and progressive, both in the practical and spiritual fields." Only in this way, he said, would nations be freed from "the slavery" of the race to armaments and from the danger that it might become "the tyrannical violator" of right.

In the third the Pope clearly referred to the League of Nations when he came out for the creation or reshaping of an "international institution" that must guarantee "the loyal and faithful observance of undertakings." The new international body, he specified, must, however, be in a position to correct and revise treaties so as to avoid "arbitrary and unilateral breaches and interpretations of the conditions contained in the treaties themselves."

Roosevelt Move Praised

In the fourth the Pope especially stressed that "the true needs and fair demands of nations and peoples" deserve "benevolent examination," although he admitted that these demands "are not always sufficient to warrant a strict right" for its fulfillment when there exist "treaties recognized and sanctioned that oppose it."

In the last point the pontiff warned that all peace settlements will be failures if they are not dictated by a sense of "acute responsibility which measures and weighs human statutes in accordance with holy and unshakeable norms of divine right." The Pope appealed here to future negotiators not to yield to feelings of revenge.

After expressing hope his suggestions may be heeded, the Pope spoke of President Roosevelt's appointment of Myron C. Taylor as his personal ambassador to the Holy See. This decision, he said, "is all the more gratifying to us because, coming from the head of such a great and powerful nation, it represents a valid and promising contribution to our cares, both for the attainment of a just and honorable peace and a faster and more efficient work to alleviate the sufferings of victims of the war."

"Also for that noble and generous gesture on the part of President Roosevelt," he said, ending his speech, "we wish to express our felicitations and our gratitude."

Joint Plea Proposed

St. Louis, Dec. 24 (AP).—Rabbi Ferdinand M. Isserman said today he would "like to see" leaders of Catholicism, Protestantism and Judaism meet in Bethlehem "where Jesus was born" and there "draft a demand for peace and offer a plan" for ending the war in Europe.

In his regular Sunday broadcast, the rabbi suggested the representatives of the three faiths should be Pope Pius XII, Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick and Rabbi Stephen Wise.

Christmas Lights Stolen From 2 Trees

Two outdoor Christmas trees have been stripped of their colored lights, police were informed yesterday.

Stephen Buchanan, of 5203 Massachusetts avenue, Westmoreland Hills, Md., reported 205 blue lights were stolen from the tree in his front yard and E. L. Meyers, of 508 Georgetown road, Bethesda, Md., told police 40 lights had been taken from his tree.

Dr. George Brewer, Noted Surgeon, Dies

New York, Dec. 24 (AP).—Dr. George Emerson Brewer, 79, noted surgeon and authority on anatomical conditions, died at Presbyterian Hospital today.

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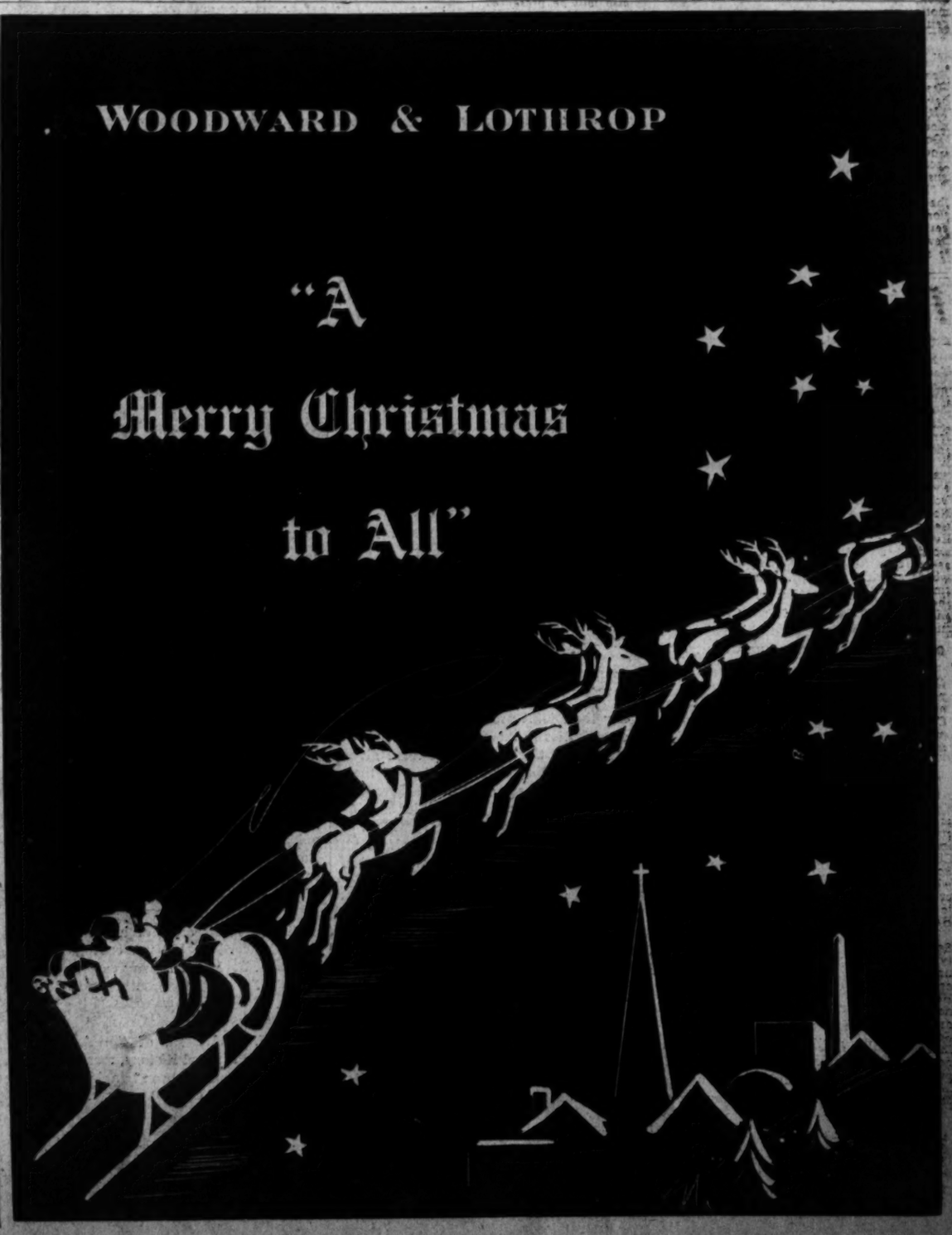

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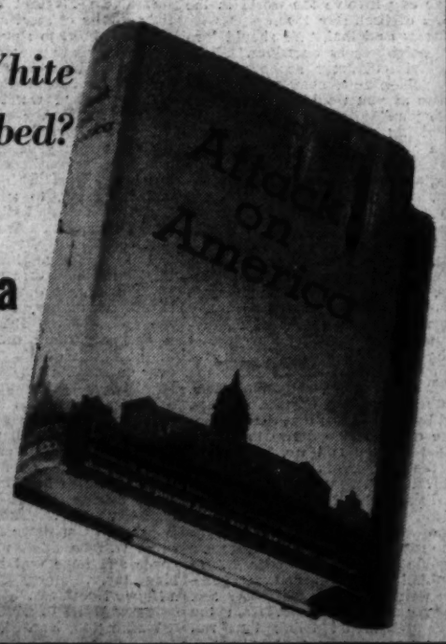

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If Liberals Unite

The so-called "liberal" in politics is easier to label than to define. Perhaps the best working definition of a liberal politician is a man who is dissatisfied with existing conditions, and eager for reforms of a decisive though not revolutionary character. It is far from easy, however, to distinguish between the moderate liberal and the mild conservative who is prepared to follow unexplored paths, provided the advance is slow and cautious.

So when Secretary Ickes suggests the possibility of organizing the "liberals" of the country to support whichever party nominates a liberal candidate for President, he is using an abstract and confusing term. There is really no mystery about Mr. Ickes' pronouncement. He is an outspoken advocate of a third term for President Roosevelt, and is willing to grasp any straw that might serve his purpose.

The practical problem is whether a separate organization of self-styled liberal supporters of the President or of some candidate acceptable to him would further his cause. Such an organization formed after Presidential nominations had been announced would take on the aspect of a third party protest movement. And, judging by the fate of so-called liberal and progressive parties in the past, the plan is scarcely one to be recommended.

If a liberal bloc were formed in advance of the national conventions to induce the Democrats to select a liberal standard bearer, its influence might be greater. But there would always be a danger that the efforts of an outside group to determine the choice of the Democratic rank and file would consolidate the conservative opposition, and lead to an open split in the party.

Attorney General Murphy is certainly not friendly to the suggestion of setting up a new liberal organization. He prefers the method of working from within and invites liberals, regardless of party labels, to enter the Democratic fold. The tenacity with which some of our so-called progressive politicians have clung to misleading party labels through the years, as a means of maintaining their hold on the electorate, strongly suggests that the Murphy approach is more astute than the plan for separate organization.

While a group of liberals and even fairly radical outsiders might be induced to participate in a liberal conference, its very separateness would tend to alienate some of the liberal Democrats who have a high regard for the prestige of party labels. The Democratic party leaders of the South are not all stand-patters, or reactionaries. Far from it. But whether reactionary or forward-looking, friends or foes of the present Administration, they are probably united in not wishing to travel under a strange party banner.

Laying A Myth

The suicide of Capt. Hans Langsdorff has raised the question whether naval tradition required him to seek death following the destruction of his ship. To that query the answer of naval authorities is an emphatic "no."

For obvious reasons it is the duty of the captain of a merchantman in distress to remain aboard until the safety of passengers and crew has been assured. In sea battles, it is also customary for naval vessels to go down fighting, even though that means death for many members of the crew.

In such cases, however, there is a purpose to be served by braving death. The captain of a merchantman is the responsible officer who knows best what to do in an emergency. He occupies the position of a guardian whose duty it is to think of the safety of his charges before considering himself. Again, when fighting ships go to certain doom, it is done not for the sake of indulging in heroic gestures, but for the purpose of inflicting a maximum amount of damage upon the enemy, or preventing the enemy from profiting by a surrender.

Sometimes the line dividing the heroic purposeful act of self-destruction from merely suicidal acts resulting from shame or despair is not easy to distinguish. But it is generally agreed that a captain who has done his best to save his vessel, and, failing that, has spared no effort to save all those on board, is a man to whom no stigma should attach. Indeed, many instances could be cited of outstanding naval figures whose prestige has been increased by the manner in which they survived disaster.

When a ship is scuttled in compliance with orders, to keep it from falling into the hands of superior enemy forces, as was the case with the Graf Spee, no discredit can possibly attach to the commander, according to the code by which such actions are ordinarily judged. That makes all the more mysterious the statement of the German naval command to the effect that unhappy Capt. Hans Langsdorff, in taking his own life, remained "true to the tradition of the officers' corps and thereby . . . fulfilled the expectations of his Fuehrer, the German people and its navy."

Revolution Of Joy

Christmas of this one thousand nine hundred and thirty-ninth year of Our Lord comes to an earth where there is little peace, where men search the skies for portents not of joy but of death, and where men of good will are, as were the simple Judean shepherds long ago, "sore afraid."

Happily, in our own corner of the earth there is no blackout of the Christmas star; no bursts of bombs, no shrieking sirens interrupt the joyful music. Yet our rejoicing is not without its undertone of fear. For none of us knows upon what vaster struggles and what wider desolations the Christmas Day of A. D. 1940 may dawn.

This uncertainty may explain why in America, as well as in Europe, much of the old wassail spirit—a spirit older even than Christmas, being our heritage from pagan times—is this year absent; why there is a greater tendency than in many years to dwell upon the spiritual meaning of this festival. A gentler and more wistful note pervades the traditional well-wishings and affirmations of affection. It is as though, threatened with the loss of a possession precious beyond price, we have suddenly become more conscious of its worth.

Not until now, when all that 20 centuries have comprehended in Christmas seems to be in danger, do we discover how far we have hitherto been from seeking the kingdom of heaven by making ourselves again as children. But in that realization we have taken the first and most necessary step, which is the humbling of the heart.

Possibly the next is to remember that Christmas came for the first time to a world that was as sick and troubled as our own. There was peace, to be sure, but it was a peace of exhaustion, following nearly a century of frightful civil wars, beginning at Rome in the time of the Gracchi, and eventually reverberating through the whole western world.

Rome's economic edifice, resting on a foundation of human slavery, had begun to crumble. Religion was decadent; immorality commonplace. The rich were characterized by rapacity; the poor and propertyless by bitterness and class hatred. Over this Roman world hovered an apocalyptic sense of doom. Already in government the *Fuehrer Prinzip* had appeared in the person of Augustus.

In one of the remoter provinces of this Roman world, in the strangest and lowliest of places, occurred the most important event in human history—the revolution of great and abiding joy. Yet that great moment came and passed unheeded by all except a handful of unknown and very humble folk, by three Oriental mystics, impelled by a strange vision and a stranger intuition, and by a superstitious and half-mad tetrarch who listened to a rumor.

It is strange to compare the pessimisms and forebodings of the classical world with that unearthly gladness which floods the first few chapters of the Gospel according to St. Luke and causes them to glow with a beauty beyond the power of man to define. Cold, indeed, must be the heart that can resist it. The tale has since been retold in hundreds of tongues and embellished with a thousand joyful legends by millions of simple men and women who lived and died without ever having heard the name of Caesar.

No darkness has ever been black enough to extinguish the wonderful light that was kindled one night in a stable in Bethlehem in the time of the Emperor Augustus and the Proconsul Cyrenius.

The Safety Zone

By their joint protest against belligerent activities in American waters the 21 republics of this hemisphere have given another striking demonstration of their solidarity in dealing with the European war. Perhaps that is the chief significance of the note which the President of Panama has dispatched, in behalf of all the American republics, to the British, French and German governments.

None of the nations at war in Europe has recognized the safety zone proclaimed at Panama with the object of keeping the seas adjacent to the United States and Latin America free from hostile acts. That was fully evident in the Battle of Montevideo. Nor can the belligerents be expected to refrain from fighting or from overhauling enemy merchantmen in the American safety zone unless the countries which have established that zone stand ready to make their demands effective.

Thus far the new doctrine has proved to be very weak indeed. It has been flagrantly violated by both Germany and the Allies. Consequently, the American republics are confronted by the necessity of relegating the safety zone to the realm of make-believe or of devising some means of penalizing those who carry the war into American waters.

The desire of all the 21 republics to proceed cautiously may be readily appreciated. They are asking belligerents engaged in a momentous struggle to recognize a new doctrine which encroaches upon their rights under previously established international law. Tact, patience and diplomacy are essential to prevent this device, intended to strengthen peace in this hemisphere, from becoming a cause for war.

Yet the Americas have means of penalizing belligerent activity in the safety zone that may prove effective. The message to London, Paris and Berlin carries a guarded threat that war vessels violating the Declaration of Panama may be prevented from supplying themselves or repairing damages in American ports. Without attempting to patrol the waters of the safety zone for punitive purposes, the neutrals of this hemisphere could bring a good deal of pressure to bear upon any country which insists on carrying the war to these shores.

A Task In Common

That "message of greeting and of faith" which President Roosevelt has sent to Pope Pius XII and, concurrently, to the Rev. Dr. George A. Buttrick and Rabbi Cyrus Adler as representatives of the Protestant and Jewish faiths, respectively, comes with particular appropriateness in this season of peace and good will.

As the President points out in his eloquent and inspiring letter, this is not the first time civilization has passed through a period of war and travail. In each instance, however, the time of trial and tribulation was followed by a new day which saw a "rekindling of the inherent spiritual spark in mankind," a true rebirth of the spirit.

So, too, the President feels certain, will it be in our times. Men will not for long, he argues, accept "the law of destruction forced upon them by wielders of brute force." Instead, they will seek anew "the faith without which the welfare of nations and the peace of the world cannot be rebuilt."

In that great endeavor the forces of religion have a tremendously significant role to play. In the face of the danger which threatens civilization, the doctrinal differences which divide Catholic and Protestant and Jew tend to lose their importance. The vital fact today is that they have a common heritage to defend against the forces of evil that are rampant in so many parts of the world.

The old admonition used to be: In time of peace prepare for war. Today, in time of war, it is the counsel of wisdom to prepare for peace. Some day the last shot will be fired in the struggles now raging. Some day nations now at war will cease the work of destruction which at present absorbs their energies. Some day, and it may not be far off, a new world order will come into being.

If this new order is to become better and happier than that out of which the present chaos arose, it will be because those whom President Roosevelt has called "the seekers of light and the seekers of peace" have worked hand in hand and shoulder to shoulder to bring it about.

Coming from the Chief Executive of the most powerful democracy in the world, this bid for collaboration for peace by statesmen and religious leaders has a special force. That very spirit of cooperation among men of different races, languages and religions has been fruitfully exemplified by our own history.

To the same end the President plans to send Mr. Myron Taylor as his personal representative to Pope Pius, the spiritual leader of hundreds of millions of Catholics throughout the world. It is an open question whether, by this act, Mr. Roosevelt has reestablished with the Vatican diplomatic relations that were severed more than 70 years ago, on the eve of the destruction of the Pope's temporal power. That temporal power has since been restored and most nations now maintain representatives at the Holy See.

At the moment, however, the important fact is that Mr. Taylor will serve as a point of contact between the President and Pope in the interests of peace.

The time for a real effort to end the war is not yet at hand. It may not come tomorrow or the day after. There is no certainty when it will come. In the meantime, however, a foundation must be laid by those who have the welfare of mankind at heart, by President and Pope, pastor and rabbi, and by all those whose voices in the eloquent language of Mr. Roosevelt, "are not heard, but whose common faith will write the final history of our time."

"The greatest asset of a politician is that his word be 100 per cent good."—James A. Farley. In many cases, a politician's lie-abilities greatly exceed his assets.

Dr. N. C. Nelson, of the American Museum of Natural History, recently said human beings have been hanging around this planet for 2,000,000 years. He didn't say why.

The K. K. K. is struggling in efforts to stage a comeback. It is hoped that the time will not return when night hoods are in flower.

Merry Christmas!

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Letters To The Editor

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Veterans' Benefits

To the Editor of The Post—Sir: I have been following for some time reports in your paper on the action of the legislative body of the American Legion regarding civil service credits, etc. I am somewhat shocked to think that an organization of veterans, for veterans, would even think of legislation that would be detrimental to a veteran, regardless of whether he was a veteran of peacetime or wartime.

I refer particularly to the statement of this committee that the difference between the veterans of the late war and peacetime veterans is, that as a general rule, the peacetime veteran enlisted because he was hungry or couldn't find a job, and the war veteran enlisted to fight for his country. Any man who has worn the uniform of the United States service and has been honorably discharged, regardless of cause, is entitled to all the benefits that the people of our country can give him.

In many cases I have seen men wearing the uniform of the United States service snubbed and prohibited from attending certain functions, but I think the action of the American Legion regarding civil service rights is about the last straw.

Some time ago the American Legion advocated pensions to all widows of veterans of the late war. I wonder just how the Legion figures this one out, and why a veteran's widow is entitled to a pension if her husband was discharged from the forces of the country in good health, and his death was not caused by his service during the war.

It is the writer's opinion that any man who willingly puts on a uniform in the service of this country is signing up for something that may lead to anything. In fact, how does he know that he isn't signing up to face an enemy in the near future, even though, as the Legion says, he was hungry and out of a job? I am glad to note that the Legion is the only veterans' organization that is objecting to the preference percentage granted through act of the Congress.

The writer is not an employe of the Government and would not work for the Government by choice, although I am a peacetime and wartime veteran and entitled to 10 per cent credit in rating if I should want to use it. So this letter is not prompted by sour grapes, but just another effort to assist the veteran to get what is coming to him.

A VETERAN.

Washington, Dec. 10.

New Deal "Liberalism"

To the Editor of The Post—Sir: Perhaps it is an unfortunate atavistic accident which causes Mr. Harold Ickes to mistake the deepest reaction of the Dark Ages for "liberalism." The only thing liberal about the New Deal is that it is liberal with virulent attacks on patriotic citizens, with the persecution of business, with its efforts to change our Government to a socialized state and with the people's money.

This New Deal liberalism is evidence that its leaders must be afflicted with either adolescence or senility to think they can continue to fool the people. PONTIFEX.

Washington, Dec. 15.

Peace In The World Today

To the Editor of The Post—Sir: The French call it "paix." The Latins term it "pax" or "pacis." The English refer to it as "peace." Yet in every language and among every creed, nation and race throughout the world, its moral and spiritual values beat constantly in the breast and bosom of each man and woman.

I doubt very much whether there is a group of people in the world who do not innately desire that this premise of tranquillity will some day involve the world in the spirit of brotherly love.

Moses said that, "We should love our neighbors as ourselves." Both Lao-Tsi and Jesus spoke of it as the golden rule, namely, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

Holding such thoughts in reverence and then gazing beyond the horizon to a Europe dragged in the mud and mire of international conflict, it is little wonder that there are those among us who become cynical and accept the defeatist attitude that as long as man has two fists, he shall fight.

In refutation of such an hypothesis, let me state that those same fists are capable of doing many chores other than that of self-destruction. Since time immemorial it has been the innate tendency of man to construct and build for the future. Inventors, artists, painters, writers, engineers, doctors, lawyers, and the like tell us that the greatest urge of all is the desire to create.

God created and we, being sons of the Father, is it not wholly natural and right that we should do likewise? Remember the old axiom, "Like father, like son." Therefore, in this world seemingly gone mad with war, it is altogether possible that in the near future mankind will stop and recognize its shortcomings for what they are.

Never in this world, from the early patriarchal tribes that ran around in pigskins to the intricate and complex states of modern civilization, has there been a time when the people all over the earth felt as they do now about war and peace. The belligerents are seeking every possible way to end the current struggle.

In Germany, in England, in Russia, in Finland, in Italy, in every nation on the continent the people daily and hourly are praying for guidance in their hopes for an early peace. Today on the great and formidable Maginot and Siegfried lines—walls of steel and reinforced concrete, built to slaughter and destroy, they are playing, "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes" and sending aloft toy balloons with the inscription, "I won't fight if you don't fight."

I can't believe that this old world isn't getting any better. We're becoming more sentimental every day, but we're just a little too hard boiled, as yet, to admit it. This Christmas will find many of us blue and despondent. We will think, quite erroneously, that our dreams and ideals have been shattered. Well don't hold that thought.

When we sit down to that fine Christmas dinner, remember that the spirit of the Prince of Peace is probably more prevalent today in the hearts of his people than it ever was. As for the Western Hemisphere—every nation on this side of the world is now living in harmony.

We in America have a destiny to fulfill. We must carry aloft the torch of uncensored intelligence in a world which has skidded temporarily off the intellectual byway of good behavior. Think of these things this Christmas Day and your heart will be filled with the good cheer and hope that rightfully belongs there. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

BENJAMIN R. STICKNEY, Jr.

Washington, Dec. 24.

FSA Program

To the Editor of The Post—Sir: While the New York prosecutor who aspires to the Presidency hurls anathemas at the Roosevelt Administration which he boasts are flung while he is "in anger," and grimly asserts that America has a "rendezvous with despair," let us take notice of practical evidences of constructive progress.

They come from Dr. W. W. Alexander, Farm Security administrator. His program is not one of radical reconstruction, but it is one that cannot fail to convince the thinking citizen that definite steps are being taken toward a goal of social security rather than the "rendezvous with despair" which Mr. Dewey envisions.

Under the rehabilitation loan program, says Dr. Alexander, the Farm Security Administration "is now helping more than 589,000 families to plan and finance their farming operations." In conformity with the Bankhead-Jones farm tenant act, the FSA has made loans to 6,180 tenants, share-croppers or farm laborers, to buy farms of their own. In addition, grants for emergency subsistence needs have been made to hundreds of thousands of families in drought and flood areas.

Reason for optimism is found in the testimony of Dr. Alexander that the Government is pretty sure of getting back at least 80 per cent of its loans to farmers. That isn't bad in the least. Substantial businessmen of the safe and sane variety do not always make such a good showing.

It would seem that the farmers are for the most part repaying their loans. It would also seem that the FSA program is standing the test of experience and is far from the chimerical and fantastic dream it was called by tory propagandists.

Get this, quoted from Dr. Alexander: "Despite the fact that none of the borrowers was considered a safe commercial risk, it has been conservatively estimated that approximately 80 per cent of the money loaned will be returned eventually to the Federal Treasury, except in those areas which have suffered from prolonged drought."

Personally, I should like to see the Government go much farther in utilizing Federal machinery for the rehabilitation of the victims of economic injustice, misfortune and distress. But the millennium is still a distance away, and sane progressives must welcome such concrete and helpful policies as those of the FSA.

They are not the ultimate solution of the social problem, but they are immediately humanitarian and helpful. And they brand as a lie—with the branding iron of hard facts—the theatrical and hysterical allegation of Mr. Dewey that America has a "rendezvous with despair."

LINN A. E. GALE.

Washington, Dec. 18.

Kuhn Trial

To the Editor of The Post—Sir: The farcical trial and conviction of Fritz Kuhn on trumped-up charges when viewed by him as a thermometer showing his success in establishing his European master's creed in this country must be a source of profound satisfaction.

There is in such a trial and conviction a sort of retributive justice which will be applauded by those superficial Americans who like to see the spider caught in the web of his own weaving.

But to the great majority of Americans, of whom I am one, it is a cause for abiding shame and regret. It explains what Huey Long meant when he said: "Sure, Naziism will come to this country, but it will be called anti-Naziism."

C. M. DODSON.

Falls Church, Va., Dec. 8.

The Post Impressionist

The Birthday Of Sidni Aissa

As the Christmas season drew near, a change came over our weather in Morocco. The heavy autumnal rains ceased. The sun shone bravely, warming our chilled bones. At night it was cool, with the stars glittering, and a waxing moon gleamed over the white-washed walls, so that Fez from our roof-top was a dream-like city of mother-of-pearl and midnight blue.

Some kindly English missionaries had invited Teddy and me to spend Christmas Eve with them, but we had declined as gently as we could. We had both been brought up as members of large families, and Christmas Eve meant little to us unless there were children to help us celebrate.

And we knew plenty of children. Sidi Taib had three, and his cousin, Sidi Mohammed, a great and learned man who taught in the Kairouine and preached before the Sultan, had no less than five.

About a week before Christmas, when the two fathers had come to drink tea with us and to laugh with their children playing noisily in the garden, I broached the subject. "Soon it will be Christmas," I said, and I had to use the French word, Noel.

"Ah, yes," said Sidi Taib quickly, "that is the day when the Christians eat little children." And then he realized what he had said, and he hung his head with shame.

Sidi Mohammed, whose wisdom was no greater than his tenderness of heart, and he was among the most learned in Islam in the West, said, as though he had not heard his cousin speak, "You mean the birthday of Sidni Aissa," to teach me the correct Arabic.

"I am sorry," murmured Sidi Taib. "That is what everyone says, and I spoke, as usual, before I thought. Of course it is a silly tale."

Then I explained how it was our custom to make the Eve of the Birthday of Sidni Aissa a feast of rejoicing for the children. Arabs are very devoted and loving parents, and our two friends were charmed with the thought of such a feast for the little ones. They gladly agreed to come with their children to help us celebrate the feast.

Later in the week our friends, Johnson and Gardiner, soldiers in the Foreign Legion, came to see us, and they confessed that they always grew homesick and sad at Christmas time. They were great barrack fellows who had survived almost a full term in the legion, and their tales of fighting with the dissident tribes out in the Bled were wonderful to hear. So we told them of our plans and invited them to come, too, and they were as excited as children at the prospect.

On Christmas Eve, just after the Aisha, the twilight call to prayer, our guests arrived: Sidi Mohammed and Sidi Taib, resplendent in their flowing white; Johnson and Gardiner, who had somehow contrived to give their shoddy uniforms a look of having just come from a tailor's and with their arms full of bundles; and the children, all eight of them, decked in all their finery.

Teddy and I excused ourselves and lit the candles on the jasmine, and opened the great doors from the living room into the garden. The children shrieked with joy at the sight of the burning tree, as they called it, and rushed about it, with their elders bringing up the rear.

Teddy played the part of Santa Claus and distributed the gifts. The two soldiers were the heroes at once. They had provided two drums, genuine drums with sticks and the marks of service about them, a selection of toy bugles and fifes, and some wondrous silken scarves for the little girls.

There were balls, and toys to be pushed, and toys to be pulled, and bags of sweetmeats. For little Abd-el-Kareem, whom we all loved, we had found a billbox cap of scarlet velvet and a silham of blue silk. He was a grave and loving child, with one eye quite white and blind from an infection. He was Sidi Taib's shadow, the darling of the whole family. He smiled bravely at us from beneath his scarlet cap and flapped his arms in the silham and crowed with joy, the poor white eye gleaming starkly in his chubby face, and his father hugged him to his breast.

The boys beat their drums and blew their bugles and shrilled their fifes. "Baraka laufik! Baraka laufik!" they thanked the soldiers for these undreamed-of riches, and Johnson and Gardiner turned red in the face with pleasure. The little girls, led by the impish Letseria, wound their scarves about them and did a hopping dance about their heroes to the music of their brothers.

Then Sidi Mohammed told us to sit down and bade the children be quiet. They stilled their dance and the beating of their drums, and sat silent in the moonlight and the glow from the burning tree, their eyes still fixed upon their gifts.

"A long time ago," began Sidi Mohammed, "even before the time of the Prophet Mohammed (blessed be his name!) there was a holy woman named Miriam, and her husband Yussef. One day an angel came to her and said, 'Miriam, you shall bear a son, and he will be a great prophet, and the leader of his people.'

"And when her time came, Miriam went forth to the desert to bear her son. She clasped her arms about a palm tree and bore a male child, and all the world and the heavens rejoiced in his birth. His name was Sidni Aissa, and he was a great prophet, greater than any other prophet who had come before, and he preached the true faith to his people.

"It is his birth that our friends here honor, and it is in memory of the child born on the desert beneath the palm tree that they give these gifts, from a tree like the palm, to you children."

Then from the minaret of the great Kairouine Mosque came the voice of the Guardian of the Night, singing of God's mercy and compassion, to comfort the hearts of the sick and the dying through the long watches of the night. And little Abd-el-Kareem stirred in his sleep, bright in his new silham, secure in his father's arms.

JOHN T. APPLEBY.

Fair Enough

By Westbrook Pegler

IF ANY SPARK of the old Chamber of Commerce spirit still burns in Miami and Miami Beach, both Attorney General Frank Murphy and J. Edgar Hoover of the FBI will be fearlessly denounced for defaming those communities just as their business season is about to begin. Mr. Murphy, in Washington, said that hoodlums from the country at large were now congregating there, and Mr. Hoover, on the ground, said that he was increasing his staff in the Miami district to meet "an influx of criminal scum." That is a fine way for public officials to talk about those fair cities, but, even so, it wasn't so much what they had to say as the time they chose to say it that will arouse the righteous anger of the local leaders of commerce and politics.

If Mr. Murphy and Mr. Hoover knew anything about the etiquette of the case they would know that the time to discover that criminal scum from the rest of the Nation has been drifting into the Miamis is along toward the middle of April under the present revised schedule. Under the old calendar March 18 was the recognized date, being the day after St. Patrick's Day, which formerly marked the end of the drinking and gambling season.

Criminals Combine Business, Pleasure

IN THOSE DAYS drinking and the purveying of alcoholic beverages were forbidden in a mild way, and the purveying business attracted to those charming shores many of the most distinguished purveyors east of the Missouri. They also handled the slot machine business and still do run it in the intervals between reforms.

The slot machines, the gambling casinos and horse and dog racing are still the concessions, so to speak, of the criminal scum of bigger cities to the north and west who combine business with pleasure and hygiene in that happy land in winter.

The Capone syndicate and some of its New York and Philadelphia connections long ago established this concession in a good deal the same way that European nations obtain concessions to mine gold and diamonds in countries inhabited by men of color. That is to say, they moved in and bought it by private negotiation with crooked native leaders who claimed that these activities, conducted by skilled operators, would help develop the community.

Outsiders Control Local Government

AFTER THEY WERE in for a time the criminal scum became, in effect, the local government. They control the government but leave it, nominally, in the hands of the natives. They are not altogether clannish and greedy, either, for they often admit promising local talent into their business.

It should be observed that some of the local talent has shown a remarkable precocity in grafting, thieving and kindred arts and refinements of the conquering forces. The Colonials of Florida, especially around the Miamis, seem to have a natural talent for these activities, but this is not intended as a reflection on the talent up or down the coast or back in the 'glades. These natives, too, have produced from their humble ranks many alert, agile racketeers, although they are just small operators.

It is only the difference between penny-ante and table stakes. A penny-ante operator may show the same skill as a high roller, and the native criminal scum of the backwoods and string towns are not to be despised merely because their skill is exercised only in small dealings.

Premature Crusade Offends Crusade

MARCH 18, in the Miamis, formerly was something like Bunker Hill Day in Boston in that it was a strictly local holiday. It didn't have a name really, but it was always celebrated by banner lines in the papers saying "Crime Must Go, says Sheriff," and subheads about sweeping probes and permanent cleanups. Usually there would be a picture or two of some local officials smashing in the door of a speakeasy which had closed the night before or pretending to chop up an expensive layout with an ax.

It could have been called Crime Must Go Day in Miami. It corresponded to the harvest festivals of the peasant countries. The crop was in, the visitors had gone home and there was a spirit of letdown and good cheer.

Nowadays the season extends until mid-April and just peters out, so no definite date can be fixed for Crime Must Go Day. If Mr. Murphy and Mr. Hoover had waited until April 15 they would have been on their manners, but to spring the crusade at this time is a very serious offense against native tradition in the Miamis. But perhaps it was no worse than you could expect from this New Deal, remembering what Mr. Roosevelt did to Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Roosevelt To Address Wives Of Congressmen

Mrs. Roosevelt will speak at the opening meeting January 11 of Mrs. Hugh Butler's fifth winter course in practical platform speaking for wives of members of Congress, it was announced yesterday.

Mrs. William M. Whittington, who was voted best speaker in the class last year, will be chairman. Mrs. John J. Sparkman, who won the prize last year for showing the most improvement, will introduce Mrs. Roosevelt.

Mrs. Whittington yesterday stressed that few wives ever will undertake active campaign speaking, but most wives are required frequently to respond to greetings, accept gifts publicly or give informative talks to women's groups about their experiences in Washington.

Yule Season Thoughts

By Ernest K. Lindley

Risk: Here And Abroad

'TWAS TWO NIGHTS before Christmas, and all along the street in front of the National Press Building men and women were trying to hail taxicabs. An acquaintance, nimbler than the others (perhaps because he was balancing only one arm-load of packages) caught a cab and waved me into it.

As we passed some lighted Christmas trees on Massachusetts avenue he was moved to talk.

"Blue lights. . . . Pretty, but not bright enough for us this Christmas. . . . Better for those poor devils fighting in the Arctic. . . . Isn't it a wonderful privilege to live in America? . . . I have thought of it almost every day since the war started."

"Do you think you'll still feel that way next March 15?" I inquired.

We fell to talking of taxes.

"I believe," he said, "that taxes will be paid more willingly next March than at any time since the World War. . . . Of course, it's axiomatic that no Congress will increase taxes in an election year. And Roosevelt won't really go to bat for higher taxes. The only tax he ever really fought for was on undistributed profits. He took a licking on that. . . . But I think if he stood up and said that in the state of the world today no tax is too high for the privilege of being an American citizen, the whole country would say 'you're right.' . . . He could get any tax he wants. . . . And it would be paid without too much grousing. . . ."

'Venture Capital' Must Be Spurred

I THOUGHT of my companion at lunch, a member of one of the leading Wall street law firms. He had talked of the "deterrents" to private enterprise, of uncertainty about what "that man" would do next, of taxes, of confidence. A familiar story! He had told it apologetically, for he is an intelligent man. He had volunteered the remark that there were only a few men in our principal financial district who could see more than a few yards beyond their own fat pocketbooks and their own noses. He had tried to report objectively on a state of mind which prevented people with large amounts of money from investing in risky enterprises. He felt, as John W. Hanes, the intelligent, retiring, Undersecretary of the Treasury, feels, that "venture capital" must be encouraged if we are to enjoy full economic recovery.

I agreed that capital must be encouraged to take risks. Otherwise our system doesn't work. Capital is taking risks. I know three wealthy men who are risking their money in the publishing field. All three have lost money so far, but they are making progress: their publications are on the upgrade. Next year, perhaps, they will make money. The du Ponts are risking money on Nylon. Dozens of other great corporations are risking money in new products. The rise and fall of small business enterprises — perhaps more in the retailing than in the manufacturing field—show that there are plenty of plucky small enterprisers ready to risk their money.

Risk is relative. At this moment Fritz Thyssen probably would be glad to have every mark he ever owned invested in the wildest American venture. A Finn, an Englishman, a Frenchman, or even a Swede, or a Dutchman, would consider an American who talked of "lack of confidence" a fit candidate for the insane asylum.

Invest or Have Your Money Taken!

AMERICAN CAPITAL is much like a spoiled child who has caught on to the idea that if he will hang back, sulk, he eventually will be bribed. A sterner discipline may be necessary. Invest or have your money taken away from you! This can be done by an intelligent tax system. And it may be far more effective than all the bandishments that can be devised by dreamers of an era which has passed and may never return.

When I got here Jonathan was amusing himself by sketching designs for Christmas cards. He had already mailed cards to his friends, but the Christmas spirit, and the creative inspiration that goes with it, were still with him. He showed me what he evidently considered his best design. The inscription was conventional enough: "Merry Christmas to all of you from—." The name of the sender was missing. In one upper corner was an airplane with two machine guns. In the other was a child's wagon, empty. Presumably the occupants had fled to refuge in the woods. In one lower corner was a confluence of lines which might have been either a target or the skeleton of a human being. (Jonathan is not too adroit a draftsman, even for a child of eight.) From it a straight line of dots ran across the page to a rifle.

"Merry Christmas to whom?" I asked. "Joe or Adolf?"

He smiled quizzically. At times his sense of humor is rather satanic. But at that moment the Christmas tree we had ordered that morning arrived at the front door. I don't know yet whether he had sketched what Christmas really means to what eventually may be known as the Class of 1952, or whether he is only getting ready to become a cartoonist.

The Timid Soul

On The Record

By Dorothy Thompson

Christmas Carol

WHAT KIND of a Christmas shall we wish each other today—we, who are adults? To a child we can say, Merry Christmas! To some children—our own children.

(Children are being bombed in Finland by the people who were, we are told, to free the workers of the world, and bring peace to all men. Can a bombing plane distinguish the class of the child beneath it? Are not the very children most exposed the children of the poor?)

(Children are being herded like cattle, from place to place, in eastern Europe: from Austria and Czecho-Slovakia to Poland; from one part of Poland to another. No, not like cattle. Cattle are driven from a poor meadow to a better meadow. These little human calves are being pushed from a poor meadow to a field burnt over by war. Give the grassy places to the cattle of better breed! Brand the others as mavericks—burn "Jew" or "Czech." or "Pole" upon their foreheads, that the herdsmen may know that these may starve.)

Hark The Herald Airplanes Sing

MERRY CHRISTMAS, little Finns and Czechs, and Poles and Jews.

"Oh, Tannenbaum, oh, Tannenbaum, wie schon sind deine Blatter! . . .

"Stille Nacht . . . heillige Nacht . . .

"Good King Wenceslaus looked out, on the sky at even . . .

"And his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, . . . the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace!"

And now all together, children! In all languages, the Christmas ritual: "Religion is an opiate of the people! Christianity is a Jewish plot! The earth shall rise on new foundations! Today Germany is ours—tomorrow we own the world. Perish the Bourgeoisie! Down with the Jews! Race is all! In the Swastika I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time! Stalin is our Leader! Hark the herald airplanes sing! Rot Front! Sieg Heil!

And a Merry, Merry Christmas!

And A Merry, Merry Christmas

AND HE OPENED his mouth and taught them saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven."

"The business of domestic policy is to forge a flaming sword."

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."

"If a people but desire power, weapons will grow in their hands!"

Hallelujah!

"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy."

"Class enemies must be ruthlessly exterminated."

Hallelujah!

"Blesed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the Children of God!"

"The Pacifist-Humane ideal may be a very good one, if first one man has conquered the world, and made himself sole master of it."

Hallelujah!

"Whosoever shall break one of the least of these commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be the least in the Kingdom of Heaven."

Rot Front! Sieg Heil!

And a Merry, Merry Christmas!

Effective Peace

By Barnet Nover

125 Years After Ghent

WE ARE MUCH given these days to attributing many of the ills from which the world has suffered these last 20 years, including the tragic developments of the past four months, to the treaties of peace that followed the World War.

Had there been no Treaty of Versailles, it is said, at least in the form it actually took, there would have been no Mussolini and no Hitler, no embittered Italy, no Third Reich seeking to break the bonds with which Republican Germany had been confined, no breakdown of the peace machinery, no invasion of Poland, no war.

But this is far too simple an explanation of what has happened in the Europe of our times. The Treaty of Versailles was not an ideal settlement, nor even a good settlement. But the tragic sequence of events leading up to the present world-shaking catastrophe cannot wholly be attributed to the document signed in the Hall of Mirrors 20 years ago.

THERE HAVE BEEN good treaties that have worked out badly—the Locarno Pact, for example—and bad treaties that have had remarkably good results. Rarely has a treaty been wholly responsible for what came after.

For instance, there was the Treaty of Ghent, the anniversary of whose singing in 1814 occurred yesterday. By no stretch of the imagination can that treaty be regarded as a satisfactory treaty. It did not settle any of the ostensible issues over which the war between the United States and Great Britain had been fought. It had nothing whatever to say about British impressment of American seamen or British interference with American commerce.

All it did was to end the fighting (which actually continued for a while longer), decree the restoration of conquered territory and the appointment of commissions to boundaries laid down in the Treaty of 1783. And the latter job was so inadequately done in the months after Ghent that the settlement of the Northwest frontier dividing the United States and Canada almost led to blows a couple of decades later.

YET THE Treaty of Ghent marked the beginning of 125 years of peace between the United States and Great Britain, on the one hand, and the United States and Canada on the other.

That circumstance cannot be attributed to the Treaty of Ghent, however. It arose from something far deeper than a written document. It was the product of a feeling, which, tenuous and unspoken at first, became a deliberate attitude, an unchangeable habit of mind, with the passage of the years. The United States and Canada, the United States and Great Britain, have been at peace because they have come to regard peace between them as belonging to the eternal verities, like the processes of the equinoxes or the theorem that two and two make four.

IT HAS SOMETIMES been said that the very happy relations which the United States and its northern neighbor have enjoyed this past century and a quarter are the product of a disarmament agreement. But that is putting the cart somewhat before the horse.

In 1817 the United States and Great Britain did undertake jointly to reduce naval forces upon the Great Lakes. The Rush-Bagot agreement provided that neither country should have more than one vessel of not more than 100 tons armed with one 18-pound cannon on Lake Ontario, two similar vessels on the upper lakes and one on Lake Champlain.

Not a word was said in this or any other treaty which the United States made with Great Britain or with Canada, after the latter had achieved self-government, regarding land armaments. Thus there never was anything to prevent the United States or Canada —there is nothing to prevent them now — from building Maginot Lines or Westwalls along that vast stretch of border dividing the two countries.

The mere absence of a prohibition has not led to the fortification of that frontier. And the reason this hasn't been done and is not likely to be done is that neither side sees any point in doing it. Canada and the United States have no designs on each other. The people of both countries know it. Canadian-American disarmament has been the product of peace far more than its cause.

IT IS symptomatic of the very happy relations that obtain between the two great English-speaking nations of the Western World that the 125th anniversary of the Treaty of Ghent went so largely unobserved.

In part, that may have arisen from the unhappy circumstance that Canada as well as Great Britain are today engaged in a European war. But in no small measure this failure to celebrate a state of affairs as noteworthy as it is rare merely reflects the fact that peace between our Nation and our northern neighbors as between Americans and British is something both peoples have come to take wholly for granted, and with the best reasons in the world. And it is the development of that same state of mind everywhere which far more than treaties, pacts, pledges of nonaggression, leagues and convenants, will make peace permanent in the world.

The Once Over

By H. I. Phillips

The Nativity

At that time: There went forth a decree from the Caesars that the whole world should be enrolled, catalogued and hewn to a pattern; that there should be a census of resources and arms and philosophies. And all went to be enrolled, every one unto his own city; and Joseph also went up from Galilee out of the city of Nazareth into Judea, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary and his espoused wife, who was with child.

And it came to pass, that when they were there, her days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her first-born child, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them at the inn. And there was a darkness over the inn now and sounds of quarreling; and across the lighted windows lunged clumsy figures, shouting.

The Warlords were in the inn sumptuously quartered, lolling in fine chairs in their stockinged feet, their muddy boots on the beds. The Dictators were there too. They had taken the whole first floor months ahead and were now bellowing orders to the servants. And they could be heard complaining that their patience was being exhausted, Greed was in the inn, sprawled across a great bed. Covetousness and Cupidity were swaggering about the hall, laughing coarsely. Hatred had taken over a double room and could be heard snarling at Envy and Intolerance, who claimed to have a prior right to the large chamber with double windows.

And in the corridors of the first floor a great bully of a man slashing about with a sword, reviling his companions, and boasting of some book he had written about conquering all mankind and reducing those who did not agree with him to slavery. This man was called Conquest and he was demanding a great front suite where he could have more breathing space. And nowhere within the inn was there Love, Kindliness, Faith, Hope or Charity.

Now there were in the country humble people with no hate in their hearts, keeping faith, watching over their own and affrighted by the horrors that were about them and by the drone of bombers that passed overhead blotting out the glory of the stars; and they were weary of ultimatums and threats and challenge and counterchallenge, and sick of heart at the corruption of mind and spirit.

And behold an Angel of the Lord stood over them, and the brightness of God shone 'round and said, "Fear not; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy that shall be to all people: for this day is born to you a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord, in the city of David, and who is the Prince of Peace, the Deliverer of the afflicted and the Christ of love and tolerance. And this shall be a sign unto you: you shall find the infant wrapped in swaddling clothes, and laid in a manager." And suddenly there was with the Angel a multitude of the heavenly army, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

And they came with haste and found the infant living in the manger. And the arrogant within the inn were silenced; and the drone of the ships of destruction, sweeping overhead, was no more, neither were there sounds of distant cannonading. To their ears came only the breathing of the cattle and the first cries of the Christ Child. And they understood the words that had been spoken to them.

But Mary kept all these things, pondering them, in her heart. And the people returned, glorifying and praising God.

Jingle Bills

I don't know what's happened to Santy,
Or where all the reindeer can be,
I haven't a guess where the sleigh disappeared.
But the bag holder's no one but me!"
—Rainy.

Merry Christmas to All!

Beta Theta Pi Party

The Christmas party of Washington Alumni Association, Beta Theta Pi national fraternity, will be held at 7 p. m. Thursday, at the Indian Springs Country Club, Colesville, Md., President George H. Baldwin announced yesterday.

Dog Sounds Warning of Fire, Risking Death to Save Home

Smoke That Pet Inhaled May Kill Him; Barking Aroused Neighbors, Who Called Firemen in Time to Prevent Real Blaze

Pete, 2-year-old Dobermann Pinscher, may die from the smoke he inhaled yesterday in barking a warning that saved from serious damage the home of Herbert E. Gaston, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, at 2928 Forty-fourth street northwest.

The dog, chum since puppyhood of the Gastons' daughters, Mary and Carolyn, was leashed in the basement when fire broke out in an electric meter at 3:10 p. m. Sole occupant of the house at the time, Pete, barking furiously as the basement filled with smoke, attracted the attention of neighbors, who called firemen.

Pete was sick. He had been left behind when the Gastons went to Minneapolis for the holidays. Sara Phelps, 1815 Vernon street northwest, a maid, tied him in the cellar when she went out.

Firemen, groping through the smoke, found him unconscious. They carried him to Dr. J. Ray Currey, veterinarian, 4313 Wisconsin avenue northwest, who said the smoke had given Pete "mechanical pneumonia" and that his condition was critical.

The meter, a rocker, articles of clothing belonging to the maid and a window sash were destroyed. A short circuit in electric wiring was blamed. Damage was $200.

Johnson and Kelly Emphasize Peace Through Strength

Peace through armed strength was the keynote of broadcasts yesterday by Assistant Secretary of War Louis Johnson and National Commander Raymond J. Kelly, of the American Legion.

In Christmas greetings to the Army, Johnson told officers and enlisted men "greater responsibilities await you for the coming year."

Emphasizing the high plane of Army morale, he said in his speech, carried over WOL and the network of the Mutual Broadcasting Co., he was sure the service would continue to move "toward the acme of perfection."

Kelly asserted, in his address from Detroit over the network of the Columbia Broadcasting System, that the Legion had the responsibility of caring for disabled war veterans and "keeping our beloved country at peace."

Beverage Group To Honor Gans

Isaac Gans, veteran Washington civic leader and retiring member of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, will be honored at a testimonial dinner early in January by members of the alcoholic beverage industry, it was announced yesterday.

Members of a committee arranging the dinner include Milton S. Kronheim, Manuel J. Lipskey, president of the D. C. Retail Liquor Dealers Association; Isaac Jacobson, president of the District Grocery Stores; Jack Rappadeas, George Moss, Tom O'Donnell, Julius Lulley, Louis Hodges, Edward Hall, Edward Randall, Morris Blumenthal, I. S. Burka, Morris Miller, Gilmore Young and David Blum.

Off The Record

By Ed Reed

"At sea or ashore—the Captain always gets into the spirit of things!"

Australia to Send Casey as Envoy To Washington

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Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 24.—It was learned authoritatively today that Richard Gardiner Casey, treasurer and minister in charge of development, and of scientific and industrial research, would be appointed minister to Washington.

Casey's diplomatic mission will include a counselor, a secretary and confidential clerks. This appointment will mark the first Australian diplomatic approach to a foreign country.

As a result of the appointment there will be a reshuffling of the cabinet and a by-election to fill Casey's seat in the House of Representatives. This will give the Government the opportunity to test public reaction to Prime Minister Robert Gordon Menzies' war policy.

Casey, who has won a popular reputation as the "Anthony Eden of Australia," has held a seat in the House of Representatives from Corio and has held many cabinet posts, among them the ministry of external affairs, the treasury and his present position.

'Other Wise Man' To Be Presented On Four Nights

Presentation of "The Other Wise Man," one of Washington's traditional Christmas events, is scheduled at Luther Place Memorial Church four nights this week, beginning tomorrow.

In the cast are men and women representing many churches and organizations in Washington and nearby Maryland and Virginia. A festival service of choral and organ music will begin at 7:30 o'clock each evening, the drama following.

According to the tradition, proceeds will go to the poor, through organized channels, the barest expenses being withheld to continue the yearly productions. Parts will be played by Denis E. Connell, Katherine Riggs, Mary Apple, Clifton P. Clark, the Rev. W. J. Ducker, Herbert Lupton, Bruce Rowzie, Joseph Custer, Wade A. Robinson, J. Edmond Veitch, Charles Whitten, Eugene Kressin, John Gilbert McIlwee, Sam Weddell, Harvey Drake, S. Lewis Daw, Sidney Brassler, Robert Brumback, Robert T. Allan, Henry Ward, Hugh C. Smith, Nina Norman, Thomas M. Cahill, Yerby Pannill and Christine Irish.

Dr. D. W. Brogan To Address APSA

The American Political Science Association will hold the 35th annual meeting at the Wardman Park Hotel, beginning Thursday and continuing through December 30.

Dr. D. W. Brogan, of Cambridge University, will address the luncheon meeting Thursday. His topic will be "The Future of Democracy in Europe." Robert C. Brooks, of Swarthmore College, will preside at the first sectional meeting, 9:30 a. m. Thursday, when "Political Parties and Public Opinion" will be discussed.

Cooperating in the arrangements are Ernest S. Griffith, American University; Robert K. Gooch, University of Virginia; Lawrence V. Howard, Maryland University; James F. Leahigh, Georgetown University; Lewis Merrian, Brookings Institution; Charles Pergler, National University; Henry Reming, jr., National Institute of Public Affairs; Carl B. Swisher, Johns Hopkins University; C. I. Winslow, Goucher College, and Herbert Wright, Catholic University.

Carols Sung in Wards Of District Hospitals

Christmas carols were sung in wards at Garfield and Casualty Hospitals yesterday and special masses for patients were offered at midnight in Georgetown and Gallinger Hospitals.

At Garfield a quartet from International House sang as they walked through corridors and wards at 7:45 p. m. Carols are also scheduled at Garfield and Casualty this morning.

Peace on Earth, Good Will: Finns, at War, Cherish Tree

Russian Shells Rain on Camp at Rate Of 30 a Minute, but Defenders Take Time To Grab a Hungry Look at Yule Symbol

By Lynn Heinzerling.
Associated Press Staff Writer

With the Finnish Army on the Karelian Front, Dec. 24.—A young Finnish captain, his face drawn and unshaven, stood today in his battalion headquarters tent and stared hungrily at a little Christmas tree.

"We haven't had time to get ready for Christmas around here," he said with a wry smile.

Outside it was 10 degrees below zero. Russian artillery had been bombarding the sector heavily since early in the evening, sending over about 30 shells a minute. In the area around the tent 6-inch shells had blasted craters that stood out starkly against the white snow.

Only a little distance away Finnish troops, separated from the enemy by about 50 yards, were holding a few wretched farm buildings they had recaptured in bitter fighting yesterday.

In the headquarters tent of 10 or 12 soldiers warmed themselves around a wood stove.

The captain had been telling us what his men had eaten for Christmas Eve dinner—soup with meat, bread and butter, and porridge. Four hams have been distributed to each company for tomorrow.

"They don't ask me for more," he said proudly.

"They're in fine spirits," he added. "They are home and they are fighting for it."

A half dozen unlighted candles, some of which drooped from the heat of the stove, decorated the 2-foot tree in the center of the tent. A smiling cardboard Santa Claus dangled from strings along with four candy kisses.

Nobody mentioned the continuous noise of shelling outside.

Last night the Russians sent 1,000 shells into a neighboring woods, the officer estimated.

"They tried an attack earlier," he said, "but the only result was 300 dead Russians."

During most of today the Russian artillery was silent, and the Finns thought there might be a Christmas truce. The shelling began again after dark, however.

"It would be different tonight if we were fighting a Christian nation," one officer said.

Farm Bureau Sues For Tax Refunds

Staunton, Va., Dec. 24.—The Augusta County Cooperative Farm Bureau, Inc., has filed petitions in both Staunton Corporation Court and Augusta Circuit Court asking refund of license taxes, the city of Staunton, town of Waynesboro, and State of Virginia being defendants.

In corporation court, the petition asks correction of alleged erroneous assessment of city retail merchant's license taxes for 1935-1939, inclusive, totaling: 1935, $102; 1936, $123; 1938, $149; 1938, $173; 1929, $173.

The petition claims the bureau has paid all taxes under protest, and maintains that, having complied with provisions of section 30 of the cooperative marketing act is exempt from payment of all license taxes, this being predicated on the assertion it has paid to the State an annual $10 license fee.

It is presumed that in each court the litigation will be heard by the respective judges, without juries.

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The Story of Christmas

This is a scene from the Christmas story presented yesterday by children of the Mount Pleasant Congregational Church. Ruth Howard was Mary, Gordon Gamnitz was Joseph, and the two angels were Phyllis Ackerly and Barbara Buschmeyer

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"The Other Wise Man"

This popular pageant will be presented for four nights beginning Tuesday at Luther Place Memorial Church. Shown in a scene are J. E. Veitch as Caspar, who is giving the message for Artaban to a messenger, Hugh Smith. The attendants in the background are Harvey Brake and Lewis Daw

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Celebrates First Birthday

Thrills are close together this time of year for Francine Lee Lyons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Lyons, 3701 Ninth street northwest, whose birthday was December 23. The celebration of her first birthday was put off until yesterday. She is shown cutting her cake

Santa Drops By Early

The board of lady managers of the Children's Country Home gave its Christmas party in the home playroom yesterday for 35 convalescent children. Beneath the tree are (from left) Kenneth Finley, Billy Miller and Violet Kidwell

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In Carol Service

Trumpeters who took part in the Christmas carol and candlelight service yesterday afternoon at the Georgetown Presbyterian Church are shown above. They are (from left) Eddie Kunkel, Marshall DePue and Durward Stevens

Bearing Gifts

At right—The Bible and Sunday school classes of the Potomac Heights Community Church brought gifts for the less fortunate at services yesterday. James Neson and Henrietta Schroder did their bit to see that Santa overlooked no one

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Chinese Celebrate

At left—A Christmas service was held by the Chinese Community Church yesterday at the Mount Vernon Place Methodist Church with music by the choir, shown singing, and a pageant, "The Rose"

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Choir Makes Debut

Above—The A Cappella Choir of Trinity Methodist Church made its first formal appearance at services yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Dwight Thayer Shaw is the director.

A Woman's New York

By Alice Hughes

Even Park Avenue Has Community Christmas Tree

GIRL ABOUT TOWN—Don't think the poor little underprivileged kiddies of the Park Avenue rich must go without a big tree! No, indeed. Right in the middle of that frosty highway, at 70th street, the neighborhood association has erected a 27-foot tree, and there are carols sung nightly this week. Not even the babes of the wealthy are entirely deprived of the Christmas message.

Edith Head, the fashion designer of Paramount Pictures, came East last week and was thrilled to get her very first glimpse of snow. Of course, it was just a modern half-minute flurry, but Edith saw her first snow, anyhow, by looking very quickly. Edith is very young, for a big job like this, but she is also very talented.

One of our Murray Hill neighbors is Muriel Babcock, editor of one of the big film magazines, and last Sunday she asked us to tea—and would we mind bringing over a few ice cubes? What a real homey feeling that gave us—a bit of borrowing by friends in the neighborhood. Almost unknown here. Sure we can spare a cup of flour, anytime!

REMEMBER when we felt that the Metropolitan Opera belonged only to famous canary birds from other lands—and didn't like it much? The other night the Met turned loose a performance of Massenet's "Manon," and the four leading roles were all filled by native Americans! Oh, say can you see? They were Grace Moore, Richard Crooks, Richard Bonelli and Norman Cordon. What an event!

ODDEST of all the winter's earornaments is the big ear-length affair which hangs from the top, not the lobe, of the aural appendage. Claire McCardell, a famed fashion designer here, wears them, and I asked if they interfered with her hearing. "Oh, I hear everything I want to hear," came back the McCardell.

'Quintuplets' Under the Christmas Tree

Washington's "quintuplets," the Armstrong twins and triplets posed for this Christmas picture. The twins, Ruth Eleanor and Robert Furman, right (below) are the son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Armstrong, 4920 Western avenue, and the triplets, Joyce, Jeanne and Julianne (left, below), the daughters of Mrs. Iantha King Armstrong, 734 Twentieth street, South Arlington, Va. Both twins and triplets are approximately 3 years old

These twins and triplets, which together make a set of synthetic "quints," will have turkey, chicken and their favorite dessert, ice cream, with their Christmas dinner today. The candy they eat will be pure sugar candy and the few pieces they will be allowed will be eaten after they have finished their dinner, but their mothers say they will be busy with their toys and will not be interested in candy.

Mary Haworth's Mail

Woman, 75, Considers Legal Adoption of Her Two Grown Children, Born of Illicit Union More Than 35 Years Ago; Is This Sensible Plan?

DEAR MARY HAWORTH: I am a woman around 40 years of age, married for about 15 years to a very successful, hard-working, ambitious professional man. While I believe he loves me and our two darling children, he is a very reticent and unsympathetic sort of man, this being due mostly to his difficult and hard-working life.

My own early life was one of the happiest you could imagine, not surrounded by luxury, but a pleasant, comfortable home, a fine, understanding mother and a most devoted and loving father who gave us all that was within his power. He traveled a good deal and when he would return it was a time of rejoicing, fun and vacation for all of us. I had one brother and we both had a good education, although not completing college work. For more than 20 years all of us were carefree and happy. I had a splendid position and my brother married just before my father died.

During father's last illness, things seemed to be going wrong. Mother was terribly upset all the time and there was great tension and unpleasant conversations between her and my father's sisters, who would come to visit him during his illness. Sometimes another woman was with them, whom I did not know.

Finally, out of a clear sky, a terrible revelation was forced upon my brother and myself—the fact that our father and mother never had been married and that this other woman was his legal wife. The whole world seemed to collapse for me, and father died a short time afterward. Mother was heartbroken over the whole thing and told us the unfortunate story, which we understood and accepted, as we loved them so much.

They had always hoped to be married some day and make amends, divorce being out of the question because of the wife's religious principles. Before father became ill they attempted to adopt us legally, and hoped to keep us in blissful ignorance of our true status. But these relatives would not let the matter pass, and while professing to be deeply religious and God-fearing, forced the issue that we were to be told the truth. Father died before the adoption could take place.

Now, at this late date, 15 years after father's death, do you think it is wise for my mother to go through the process of legally adopting her two adult children, in order to give them a proper name or status or even peace of mind? Mother is willing to do so, and I am financially able to help. She is now 75 years old and a grand person—full of love and appreciation and thoroughly capable of attending to this legal step if it is the wise thing to do.

My husband knows nothing of the situation since, when we first met, I was ignorant of it myself, and at the time of our marriage, I was advised by the clergy to say nothing about it. My brother's wife does know, because their marriage took place at the time of the exposure. They have continued to live in our old home town, where they are greatly liked and respected to this day.

I think of the future of my own and my brother's children, who might at some time come into the public spotlight, and that some unprincipled mudslinging person might ruin their lives—or, for that matter, even my husband's life, since he is on his way to higher professional achievements. I feel that adoption might clear up the past a little, since the status of a legally adopted person would be so much better than the terrible stigma that was forced upon us. Your advice as to whether adoption is wise, and could be done quietly, without publicity, will be much appreciated. A. A.

Children's Paternity Sufficiently Established

DEAR A. A.: According to information which I have obtained from a reputable legal source, it is (a) out of the question to adopt adults, and (b) decidedly irregular to propose adopting one's own children. Furthermore, I cannot see how anyone could dispute your paternity.

This isn't a case where either you or your brother can be considered "fatherless" in the sense of lacking proof of your father's identity. Moreover, it seems obvious that your father and mother considered themselves to be man and wife in the eyes of God, from the very inception of their unconventional alliance until death did them part, and where this mutual pledge of permanency obtains, a "common law" marriage may be said to exist. This type of contract has legal recognition, if not churchly sanction, in certain municipalities.

There is, of course, no glossing over the fact that the association was irregular (perhaps even bigamous, from one point of view); but in my opinion, the status of children born of the union (whatever their status may be), could scarcely be camouflaged or conventionalized by introducing so-called "adoption papers" into the record—even if such action were possible, which I gather it is not.

I believe—as does the legal counselor with whom I discussed your case—that no profitable purpose would be served in disinterring the outlived past with the notion of altering its salient features. In the words of a familiar proverb, "let the dead past bury its dead (mistakes)."

Hold no fears concerning possible humiliation that might be visited upon your own or your brother's children as a result of their grandparents' unorthodox affiliation. Any mudslinger who undertakes to defame a personally honorable individual with allegations concerning an ancestral failty, but damns himself. Shape your children's character to noble patterns, and even the most malignant interpretation of their grandparents' dramatic romance will be powerless to spoil their lives, or to rob them of any measure of esteem they have fairly won.

Take warning from the example of Lot's wife and stop looking backward, since that attitude of mind alone could do more to paralyze your children's social development (through crippling your potential contribution to them) than anything their grandparents did, long years ago. M. H.

Your Figure, Madame!

By Ida Jean Kain

An Hour of Exercise A Day Can Keep The Crow's Feet Away

IF I COULD play Santa Claus there is one gift I would hang on the tree within the reach of every woman, and that is one hour a day to be spent with magnificent extravagance on herself!

An hour is such an intangible, quicksilverish thing that it is hard to evaluate. But if you would use your hour wisely, by the time 365 of them had accumulated you could be a serener, a happier, a more lovable and lovelier woman.

To begin with, an hour a day can act as a buffer against the hectic routines of living. It gives you a chance to "pull yourself together"—warding off crises and crow's feet!

And, in the second place, that hour a day can mean beauty.

It should be divided this way: 20 minutes for stretching, slimming and relaxing exercise; 20 minutes for complete relaxation with your mind pleasantly adrift; finally, 20 minutes for a brisk one-mile-walk in the crisp winter air.

Any woman who adheres to that program can build up serenity and beauty.

Of course, you have to have a little faith? You have to believe that such a program will work magic for you. Then, it will! If you can believe it as firmly as you used to believe Santa Claus filled stockings, it will work the same miracles!

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The Gentler Sex

By MALVINA LINDSAY

Table Talk

"White or dark meat? . . . Oh-h dark, I believe—no wait! Which would have the least calories? . . . The white? . . . I'll take white then. No, but maybe the dark meat would have more vitamins. Still—does a turkey have vitamins? I know it has something—Junior, finish your fruit cup! . . . Yes, you need C . . . Yes, now be a good boy and get all that nice calcium.

"Oh, I tell you—a turkey has protein! That's what I'm thinking of! Well, I'll just take some of both the dark and the white meat—to be on the safe side. And say, please don't give me more than a 150 calorie serving . . . No, no dressing . . . Well, does it have chestnuts? Oh, all right, then, just a little. You know, Dr. Bilk's very much opposed to chestnuts.

"You know, I just made up my mind this Christmas I was going to keep myself down to a 900-calorie dinner if it killed me. Dr. Bilk doesn't really think I'll have strength of character enough to do it. Oh what lovely rolls! . . . Well, I will take just one—that's not more than 50 calories. Besides, we really need some fuel food this time of the year . . . Yes, I'm going to butter it right away. George! Butter your roll!—He needs A.

"No thanks, I wouldn't care for any peas . . . No, no really I'm allergic to peas . . . Yes, when I was a child I got one up my nose once . . . Give George some peas though . . . Oh yes, you do, George! You need sunshine.

"Say, isn't it too bad about Grace Nitter? . . . Oh, why she's allergic to turkey! . . . No, she simply can't touch it . . . Oh, it's just a psychic holdover, they say . . . Yes, it seems this old Aunt Minnie she used to stay with had a turkey gobbler . . . Well she got the two confused or something—oh what lovely gravy! Say we ought to get a lot of BI out of those giblets . . . Now I don't want to get more than 75 calories——

"Honestly Dr. Bilk would have a fit if he saw me eating all this fat. Junior, finish your mashed potatoes. Yes, you know what your teacher said! He's a quarter of a pound underweight!

"No thanks, no more bread—well, I might take this little roll, since Dr. Bilk's not here. You know, I was reading the other day where some big dietitian said bread wasn't really fattening. Now we always used to think it was. Well, that's progress for you!

"What a beautiful salad! Is that tomato aspic? . . . Oh I'm so glad! I was reading the other day where they'd found out that tomatoes had some kind of a vitamin that gives people more . . . more . . . well I guess you'd call it oomph . . . Well, now you needn't laugh because some big scientist tried it out on some savage tribes, and the results—well I just can't explain it here, but anyway the results were very astounding!

"Yes, I think tomatoes are a very fine food. We all really ought to eat more of them . . . No, I wouldn't care for any salad dressing . . . Oh it is! That non-fattening kind everybody's talking about . . . With the mineral oil base? All right, I'll take some . . . Give George some, too, will you? He needs more mineral elements.

"This is certainly a marvelously balanced dinner. You know, I just can't see how they ever lived through those Christmas dinners in the old days when they didn't know anything about vitamins and calories . . . No, I'm not taking a bit of dessert. No, no, not a bit! No, I'm already past 1,500 calories. Dr. Bilk will be perfectly furious.

"What? . . . Yes, that is a beautiful pudding. Has it any raisins? . . . Well of course there's a lot of iron in raisins . . . All right, I'll take just a tiny helping . . . And say, don't give George hardly any. No, he has too much acidity.

"Well, this has certainly been a wonderful Christmas dinner! Let's see, every single vitamin, A, B, C, D, E—everything but G . . . Oh no, now, don't worry, that's all right. I've got G in my pocketbook upstairs . . . Oh, and I forgot to take my cake of yeast! Dr. Bilk would simply have a fit! Oh Junior! Run upstairs quick and get that yeast cake out of Mamma's pocketbook . . . Oh, and get that little box of vitamin tablets too . . . Oh yes, and that little bottle of bella donna drops . . . Honestly, I don't know when I've ever enjoyed a dinner as much as this."

Armstrong Tots Will Get Little Holiday Candy

Their Menus Serve As Examples for Other Children

By Martha Ellyn,
The Post Food Editor.

THE TODDLER age is certainly one of the most interesting ages of children, but most mothers agree that is one of the most difficult when it comes to feeding. Especially at Christmas is it a problem when so much rich food and candy are at hand. So to learn just what mothers of toddlers do to meet this difficulty, I put the question to the two mothers of five rugged youngsters.

The Armstrong twins and the Armstrong triplets—Washington's "quintuplets"—are typical Young Americans. Robert Furman and Ruth Eleanor, the twins of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Armstrong, 4920 Western avenue, will be 3 years old in April. Joyce, Jeanne and Julianne, the triplet daughters of Mrs. Iantha Armstrong, 734 Twentieth street, South Arlington, Va., were 3 years old last October. Although they are all Armstrongs and are approximately the same age yet they are no relation and their parents did not know until this year that each other existed, although they lived in the same neighborhood.

Mrs. Robert Armstrong, the mother of the twins, says that her boy and girl will eat roast chicken for their Christmas dinner, as the family is moving the day after Christmas and turkey would present difficulties of transportation. The twins will also be allowed to have some cranberry sauce, peas and carrots (they love peas), and will have their favorite dessert—ice cream, topped with a big red cherry. They are also very fond of milk and drink lots of it. Their mother plans to keep them interested in their toys so that they will not be eager for candy, although she will probably give them two pieces after their dinner, of the pure variety.

The triplet Armstrongs are going to have turkey for their Christmas dinner, baked potato, broccoli which "they love" vanilla ice cream and plenty of milk. Since these tots have never been permitted to eat candy to any extent they have not developed a "sweet tooth," although their mother said they might be given some pure candy—a piece or two in celebration of the day.

Christmas Day should be no exception as to the regularity of the child's meals.

Children do not need candy, but if it is given, it should be in small amounts, (one or two small pieces) after a meal as dessert. Hard candies made from a flavored sugar solution or candies containing milk and fruit are the best kind for children. Candies made of a combination of egg, sugar and chocolate usually are very rich and are apt to be eaten in too large a quantity.

Eggnog Recipe For Christmas

Once agan it's time to make a bowl of the traditional drink, eggnog with which to say Merry Christmas to friends. There are many delicious versions of eggnogs, but it is fun to branch off and present your own translation. But if you are looking for a dependable recipe which will make a truly magnificent bowl of Merry Christmas follow these directions carefully:

Eggnog

Beat separately the yolks and whites of 6 fresh eggs. Add ½ cup of sugar to yolks, while beating, and ¼ cup of sugar to whites after they have been beaten very stiff. Mix egg whites with yolks. Stir in 1 pint of rich cream and 1 pint of milk. Add 1 pint of whisky and 1 ounce of Jamaica rum. Stir thoroughly. Serve very cold with grated nutmeg on each cup. This recipe makes 5 pints of eggnog.

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Huntingtons Give Party for Daughter

Tea, Buffet Supper Combined; Guests Linger Into Evening

By Elizabeth Henney

It was a silvery white Christmas Eve inside the house yesterday, even though nature failed to provide white Christmas weather outside, when Mr. and Mrs. William Chapin Huntington entertained in honor of their debutante daughter, Miss Joanna Huntington.

It was an informal party combining a Christmas Eve tea and buffet supper. The invitations read "after five," and from that hour far, far into the evening, between 200 and 300 guests stopped in.

Silver leaves and red berries decorated the table in the dining room and silver and red decorations in the drawing room, library and music rooms gave a Christmasy festive air to the whole house.

Miss Huntington In Black Velvet

Miss Huntington was gowned in black velvet, fashioned floor length, with tight bodice and flowing skirt, and trimmed at the square neck and around the puffed sleeves with point de venice lace. With it she wore white gardenias.

Mrs. Huntington wore pale green crepe, floor length, fashioned on classic lines. Generally assisting during the afternoon was Miss Huntington's sub-deb sister, Edith Huntington, who wore blue crepe, floor length, trimmed with silver bordering the neckline and with a wide band of silver down the front of the frock.

Assisting Mrs. Huntington during the afternoon at the tea table were Mrs. R. M. Kauffmann, Mrs. Levi Cooke and Mrs. John Carruthers. A number of post-debs assisted at the punch bowls in the library and music room.

They included Mrs. Herbert Fales, Miss Alice Barry, Miss Elinor Gudger, Miss Julie Camp, Miss Louise Burke, Miss Christine Gawne, Miss Elizabeth Sabine, Miss Anne Sterrett, Miss Diana Rowland, Miss Mary Dora Thompson and Miss Virginia Cooke.

Second Formal Party on Schedule

This was the second formal party of Miss Huntington's schedule. She made her debut in June and was the first debutante of the 1939-40 season to make her bow to society. This fall she went off to Smith College, and is in town for the whirl of holiday debbing and partying during the Christmas vacation. In contrast to her earlier party, the one yesterday afternoon was exclusively a young people's party.

Many of Young Set Among the Guests

Noted among the guests during the afternoon were Miss Edith Pearson, Miss Mary Margaret Jackson, Miss Peggy Houghteling, Miss Joan McKenna, Miss Billie Byrd West, Miss Maisie Howard, Miss Mary Gray, Miss Mimi Worthington, Miss Barbara Ramseyer, Miss Mary Tudor Morsell and her sister, Miss Suzanne Morsell, Miss Mary Gruman, and Miss Nancy Weller.

Also James Houghteling, William Jackson, Harry Hoskinson, Jim Gawne, Alexander Shields, James Camp, Grant Wilmer, McCauley Howard, Victor Whitlock and David Whitlock, Steven Robinson, jr., Hugh Robinson, Frank McMurray Keith Merrill and many more.

Dodderidge Son Home From 'Point'

Cadet Robert Dodderidge, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Dodderidge, has arrived from West Point to visit his parents for the holidays, bringing with him Cadet Fred Holdridge as house guest for the vacation.

William Dodderidge, older son of Mr. and Mrs. Dodderidge, has as his guest, at his parents' home, George Holdridge of Thermopolis, Wyo., older brother of Cadet Holdrige. On New Year's Eve the Dodderidge family will hold open house.

Debs Hold Spotlight on Holiday Calendar

Underwood & Underwood — Hessler Studio. — Underwood & Underwood

The trio above were debutantes of this past week-end and all made their bows to society Saturday. At top (left) is Miss Billie Byrd West, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. West, whose parents presented her at a dance at the Sulgrave Club. Below (left) is Miss Margaret Gordon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Gordon, of Woodland drive. At right—Miss Mary Gray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard A. Gray, came out at a tea at her parents' home, 3205 R street

Miss Hathaway Plights Troth

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison R. Hathaway of "Four Winds" Edgemoor, Bethesda, Md., and Hollywood, Fla., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia, to Charles Pinckney Donnelly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Donnelly, of Rickville Center, Long Island.

Miss Hathaway was graduated from the Low-Heywood School in Stamford, Conn., and from Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Mr. Donnelly was graduated from Blair Academy and the University of Pennsylvania School of Architecture. He holds the degree of master of science in architecture from Columbia University and is a member of Phi Gamma Delta.

Miss Burnette Will Be Married

Mr. and Mrs. Hammett F. Burnette, of Leesville, Va., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lois Isabelle Burnette, to James Morrison Hamlett, jr. The wedding will take place in June at the home of the bride's parents.

Miss Burnette is a member of the faculty of Handley High School of Winchester, Va., and was graduated from Madison College of Harrisonburg, Va.

Mr. Hamlett was graduated from the University of Tennessee in 1933, in Chemical Engineering. He was a member of Phi Kappa Phi, honorary scholastic society, and Sigma Chi.

Clarks Entertain For Engaged Pair

Senator and Mrs. Bennett Champ Clark entertained at a "family party" Saturday night in honor of Miss Adelaide Henry and Edwin S. Villmoare, whose marriage will take place tomorrow.

Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Henry, parents of the bride-elect; Mrs. Edwin Villmoare, mother of the prospective bridegroom, and Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Alderman of Kansas City. Mr. Villmoare is Senator Clark's secretary.

Mrs. Lloyd Donates Room for Concert For Finnish Fund

Mrs. Demarest Lloyd will assist the Finnish Relief fund by donating the ballroom of the Sulgrave Club on January 18 for a recital by Henriette Bagger Plum, Danish mezzo-soprano, assisted by Mildred Kolb Schultze and Howard Mitchell.

Heading the list of patrons for the event are the three Scandinavian Ministers to this country, Minister of Sweden, Wollmar Bostrom; Minister of Norway, Munthe de Morgenstierne, and the Danish Minister, Henrik de Kauffman.

Luxury Model Razor Is Useful Gift for a Man

No matter how many razors a man has, one more de luxe model in the Christmas stocking won't go amiss. That's one item a man can't do without but he usually compromises on a utility model so he can buy a bit more finery for his wife. So if you are still puzzled as to what to give the man in question, consider the whiskers.

There's a new streamlined electric shaver with a built-in electric bulb which puts every whisker on the spot. Another novel feature is the snap switch which replaces the old spinning wheel type of starter. A simple snap—the light flashes on—the motor starts. It has a two-way shaving head and 70 beard finders that lift the hairs erect and guide them into clippers.

This new type of razor comes in ivory and black models. The case is compact with a special built-in compartment for the cord to prevent knotting or other entanglements.

Jeanne Hansen Engaged to Wed

Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Hansen, of Denver, Colo., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Jeanne Elizabeth Hansen, to Frank B. O'Mahoney, son of Mrs. Daniel J. O'Mahoney, of Summit, N. J.

Miss Hansen attended the University of Colorado, at Boulder, where she was a member of the Alpha Phi Sorority.

Mr. O'Mahoney attended Seton Hall Preparatory School and Seton Hall College, at South Orange, N. J. He was graduated from the law school of Georgetown University, and is a member of Gamma Eta Gamma Fraternity. At the present time he is making his home with his uncle, Senator O'Mahoney.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Lieut. and Mrs. Russell Visiting Mrs. Foley

Lieut. Baxter L. Russel, U. S. N., j. g., and Mrs. Russell, with their young daughter, Miss Patricia Russel, have joined Mrs. Russell's mother, Mrs. I. Cameron Foley, at the Wardman Park Hotel, to spend the holidays.

They arrived here over the week-end from Norfolk, Va., where Lieut. Russell is now stationed.

Mrs., Miss Austin Back From South America

Mrs. T. Septimus Austin and her daughter, Miss Madeleine Austin, have returned to the Wardman Park Hotel. They spent several months in South America.

While in the Argentine they were guests at several estancias. On their return voyage they spent a few weeks at the Copacabana Palace Hotel in Rio de Janeiro.

Women Protest Passport Denial

Action of the State Department in denying passports to American women married to alien husbands since passage of the Cable act, and who desire to return to their homes and families in European countries, was protested at the close of the biennial conference of the National Woman's Party, held in Washington last week-end.

The protesting resolution is aimed at the refusal of the State Department to issue United States passports to American women who, despite their marriages to citizens of other nations, retain their American citizenship under the terms of the Cable act.

With regard to travel in the European war zone, under the regulations it is contended that there is no imperative necessity requiring these American women to return to their families.

The National Woman's Party maintains that "a woman's travel to join her husband and children is as much 'imperative necessity' as is a man's business interests that take him into the war zone."

The Woman's Party objects to a policy which permits American businessmen to travel in the European war zone for commercial purposes—on the ground of "imperative necessity"—and at the same time refuses to recognize as "imperative necessity" the right of a woman to return to her family there.

Use of Floor Wax

Whatever finish or covering the floor has, wax is excellent for keeping it in good condition. Use either polishing or nonpolishing wax. Every time you think wax is needed, apply a thin coat. The floor should, of course, be clean and dry before the wax is put on. If you use polishing wax, buff it well, when dry. An electric polishing machine makes this an easy job. Some vacuum cleaners have an electric polishing attachment.

The Hunt Country

By Nina Carter Tabb

Miss Ada Gibson's Wedding to Be Gala Event in Virginia

MISS ADA PERRY GIBSON, one of Virginia's loveliest young ladies, will be married to Dr. Walter E. Daniel, Saturday evening at 8 o'clock, in St. James Episcopal Church, Leesburg. Their wedding will be the largest and most important social event of the holiday season in northern Virginia, where some gala affair is planned for every night this week.

Miss Gibson is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John Aldridge Gibson, of Leesburg. She will be given in marriage by her father. Her matron of honor will be her sister, Mrs. George Winthrope Sands, of New York. The bridesmaids are to be Miss Betty Gibson—cousin of the bride—and Miss Nancy Rogers, both of Leesburg; Miss Lucy Prescott, of Boston; Miss Haines Clement, of Durham, N. C., and Mrs. Richard Chilson, of New York.

DR. DANIEL, who is from Charlotte, N. C., will have as best man his brother, Dr. Donald Daniel, of Richmond, Va., and as ushers another brother, John Daniel, of Asheville, N. C.; John A. Gibson, jr., brother of the bride; George Winthrope Sands, her brother-in-law; Dr. Thomas Coolidge, of Boston, and Dr. Richard Pearse, of Durham, N. C.

The ceremony will be performed by th Rev. Peyton Craighill, rector of the church, and a large reception will take place immediately afterwards at the Thomas Balch Library, in Leesburg.

ALL OF THE wedding party and out of town guests will arrive on Friday and will attend the gala Spinsters Masquerade Ball on Friday night, which is to be given by 14 attractive hostesses of the neighborhood.

They have invited over 500 guests to their party, and most of them will attend, for this annual party has become quite famous. The lovely girls and the exquisite costumes that they wear have made it one of the most colorful affairs in Virginia.

MISS PATRICIA HURLEY won the prize last year for the best costume worn by the girls, and Peyton Hopkins, of Leesburg, won the men's prize. The ball will be held in the Leesburg Auditorium, and those giving it include Misses Lalla Harrison, Jane Rust, Betsy Rust, Mary Rust, Peggy Wilmer, Betty Musgrave, Eleanor Rust, Emily Lewis, Lucy Proctor, and others.

The Leesburg Assembly, one of the oldest annual parties in Virginia, will take place tomorrow night in the Auditorium at Leesburg. This always looked forward to at Christmas time and attended by a large crowd of Virginians. Many dinner parties are to be given before the dance, which begins at 10 o'clock and ends at 2:30.

PATRONESSES include Mrs. E. B. White, Mrs. Westmoreland Davis, Mrs. Warner Snider, Mrs. William F. Rust, Mrs. Thomas Fendall, Mrs. Charles F. Harrison, Mrs. J. Armistead Welburn, Mrs. William Metzger, Mrs. Edwin Rust, Mrs. Thomas U. Dudley and Miss Elizabeth Davis.

The Misses Carter, of Meadow Grove, near Marshall, are giving an afternoon party tomorrow at 4:30, in honor of their nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Carter Beverley, of Syracuse, N. Y., who are spending the Christmas holidays with their aunts.

MR. AND MRS. C. Oliver Iselin, jr., gave a delightful Christmas party yesterday afternoon, from 4 to 7, in honor of their debutante daughter, Miss Barbara Iselin, at their home Wolver Hill. Several hundred people motored from Washington, Winchester, Warrenton and the surrounding neighborhood and enjoyed the delightful party.

New Year's week-end promises to be one of the gayest of the season with numerous parties to be given New Year's Eve. Tommie Leiter, will give a dinner dance at the North Wales Club, Warrenton, that night. Mrs. Mildred Taylor, is giving a large dinner dance at her home, Caodstone, near Middleburg, and any number of smaller parties are being planned.

ON THURSDAY evening the benefit Christmas ball will take place at Scalby, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gilpin. This will be a huge party, and everyone is working hard to make it a great success.

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The Richbergs Entertain on Anniversary

Several Hundred Follow Directions To Hickory Hill

A COMBINATION Christmas Eve and wedding anniversary party was the one given last evening by Mr. and Mrs. Donald Richberg at Hickory Hill, their Spring Valley home at 4710 Woodway Lane.

Several hundred friends followed directions on the Christmas card map sent out by the Richbergs and reached the place without any trouble between 5 and 7 o'clock.

The steps leading up to the front door were entwined with Christmas evergreens and lighted with a tall, red candle. Inside, guests saw a huge lighted Christmas tree at one end of the reception hall. Mrs. Richberg greeted her guests there, and wore a turquoise crepe frock cut on simple flowing lines with short sleeves and a V neckline. Mr. Richberg was here, there and everywhere greeting guests and seeing that they enjoyed themselves.

Eloise Richberg
There on Holiday

Eloise Richberg, holidaying from her school studies, was another popular addition to the party. She was dressed in burgundy velvet with short sleeves and a floor-length skirt and worn with a gold necklace.

Guests entering the hall had the choice of going to the right through the drawing room to the sun parlor for Scotch and sodas or to the left where cocktails were served in the dining room. The dining room table was decorated with two cellophane angles facing a small Christmas tree decked with candles. Four short Christmas candles and four tall, red tapers in silver holders were further accents for the decorative scheme in the dining room.

Secret Panel
Center of Attention

The hundreds of guests collected for the most part in the drawing room. Others assembled in the dining room and in the adjoining library where a secret panel opened to a small hidden room that was the center of much attention. A number of guests, calling during the latter half of the party, stayed on for supper.

Among those glimpsed in the tea time company were Senator and Mrs. Arthur H. Vandenberg, the latter of whom had a silver fox cape setting off her black velvet ensemble; Senator and Mrs. D. Worth Clark, who later last evening gave a dinner and Christmas Eve party for a number of Idaho natives who are now Washington residents, and the Assistant Secretary of State and Mrs. Henry F. Grady, who rushed away shortly before 7 o'clock in order to be home in time to read the Christmas Carol to their children.

John L. Lewis
Talks to Host

John L. Lewis, who was there with Mrs. Lewis, stayed in the library for full half an hour in order to talk with the host and some of his guests. Judge and Mrs. Edgar Goodrich were there; also, Mrs. Henry Baxter, Maj. Gen. and Mrs. George A. Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Turner Catledge, Dr. and Mrs. R. Lyman Sexton, Dr. and Mrs. William A. Morgan, Miss Maxine Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Culbertson, who will gather in a few friends for eggnog this afternoon at their apartment at 2101 Connecticut.

Still others who attended the pleasant party given by Mr. and Mrs. Richberg yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. William Stanley who drove up from their home in Laurel, Md., especially for the party; Mr. and Mrs. George Romney, who will leave soon to make their home in Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Berliner, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Clapper, who had a couple of house guests with them; Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Essary, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hayden, Norton Goodwin and his borther MacDonald Goodwin, who were joined later by their mother, Mrs. Clarence Norton Goodwin; Elliott Thurston, Louis Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Brandt and many others.

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Miss Grace Douglas Woods, whose parents, Capt. and Mrs. Edgar Lyons Woods, presented her to society on Saturday at a tea at their quarters in the Naval Hospital grounds

Ramsey Tea Is Honor for Miss Buchanan

Formal Debut Today At Party at Parents' Home in Bethesda

Honoring Miss Rosalyn Buchanan, whose formal debut will take place this afternoon, Col. Frederick Ramsey, of the Marine Corps, Mrs. Ramsey and Mrs. Ramsey's daughter, Miss Nancy Willard, entertained yesterday afternoon from 5 to 7 o'clock at their home on Jocelyn street in Chevy Chase. This afternoon Miss Buchanan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wesley Buchanan, will present her to society at a 4-to-7 tea at their home, 6304 Bradley boulevard, Bethesda.

Receiving in the drawing room with her daughter and guests of honor, Mrs. Ramsey was gowned in a floor length model, fashioned with a lame blouse and full flowing black skirt. With it she wore a corsage of red roses.

Miss Willard wore a gown of black tribute silk brocade, fashioned floor length. A formally cut evening gown with a voluminous skirt, it had a jacket for afternoon wear made with short, full-puffed sleeves. With it she wore purple orchids. The material for the dress, of intricate design, was a gift from Miss Willard's aunt, Mrs. William Orr, sent to her long ago from China. Miss Buchanan was gowned in powder blue moire and wore a corsage of white carnations and red phobia.

Assisting Mrs. Ramsey at the tea table were Mrs. J. Wesley Buchanan, Mrs. Leonard P. Stuart, Mrs. Edward Helmuth, Mrs. Allison Chapin and Mrs. Anne Church, of Philadelphia, who is a house guest of the Ramseys.

Debutante assistants included Miss Patricia Hill, Miss Martha Shelton, Miss Virginia Steuart, Miss Barbara Sweet, Miss Frances Bowie and Miss Achsah Bowie Dorsey. Following the party the assisting debutantes and their escorts were entertained at a buffet supper.

Mrs. Jouett Shouse Honors Daughter With 'Brunch' Party

Snow Is Lacking, Preventing Use of Sleigh, but Dance Platform Is Pressed Into Service to Add to Hilarity of Affair

An outdoor "brunch" before a roaring bonfire was given yesterday by Mrs. Jouett Shouse for her subdeb daughter, Miss Joan Dodd, and young Bill Shouse at the Shouse's Virginia country home, Wolftrap Farm.

Though they had hoped for snowy weather so they could get out the family sleigh (one of the few privately owned sleighs in Washington), the Shouses took advantage of the clear day and rejuvenated a dance platform put up for a benefit some months ago. Trimmed profusely with pine trees of all sizes, the platform looked like a Christmas forest, and, from an amplifier, recorded music resounded throughout the grounds.

Some Dance, Others Enjoy Card Tables

Inside the house was also decorated with pine trees and holly—and just a wee bit of mistletoe here and there. While some of the guests lingered around the bonfire, telling tall tales after the 12:30 meal, which consisted of old-fashioned vegetable soup, hot dogs, doughnuts and coffee, others danced. Others wound their way into the house and settled down to card games. It was well after 4:30 before a move was made to leave the pleasant party.

Many Notables Are Among Guests

Among the guests were Miss Patricia Prochnik, Miss Edith Pearson, Miss Nancy Weller, Miss Joan McKenna, Miss Achsah Bowie Dorsey, Miss Marietta Evans, Miss Sita Finkenstaedt, Miss Kitty Hill, Miss Patricia Hill, Miss Peggy Lansdowne, Miss Berenice Merchant, Miss Eleanor Neill, Miss May Byrne Simpson, Miss Peggy Tuckerman, Miss Billie Byrd West, Miss Ruth Hurley, Miss Patricia Baker, Miss Louise Stillwell, Miss Jessie Kauffmann, Miss Elaine Darlington and Miss Zeva Fish.

Also Tinsley Adams, George Arnold, Thurmond Arnold, Jack Arrington, Howard Bailey, Phil Bowie, James Buchanan, Walter Buel, Taylor Chewning, Bob Coulter, Mario Cuniberti, Seldon Davis, Dick Drain, Fred Finkenstaedt, Canfield Himes, John Hull, Jules Koiner, Bill Pennington, Arthur Peter, Edgar Prochnik, Chris Rogers, Bill Sabine, Charles Thomas, Russell Train, Dick Wright, Ladd Thurston, Bill Sturges and others.

Daughter and 2 Sons Visit Mr., Mrs. Doyle

Mr. and Mrs. Grattan Doyle have with them for the holidays their daughter, Miss Marion Wade Doyle, who is home from Radcliffe, and their sons, Henry Gratton Doyle, jr., and Robert Carr Doyle.

The boys are both students at Harvard University.

McClellans Spending Holiday With Children

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McClellan, of 2100 Massachusetts avenue, are spending the Christmas holidays with their son and daughter, who reside in the Beekman Hill-Sutton Place section of New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. McClellan are stopping at the Beekman Tower Hotel while in the city.

Mrs. Byrd Visits Here

Mrs. Henry D. Flood has as her holiday guests at her apartment, at the Shoreham, Mrs. Richard E. Byrd, of Winchester, Va., and her daughter, Miss Margaret Byrd. Also a guest of Mrs. Flood for the holidays is her nephew, Mr. Robert Portner, of New York.

Thelma Dawn Bush, Mr. Riddell to Wed

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Bush, of Pavilion Center, N. Y., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Thelma Dawn Bush, to Oakley R. Riddell, of Rochester, N. Y., son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Riddell, of Pavilion Center.

Miss Bush was graduated from the Pavilion schools. Mr. Riddell was for 16 years a resident of Washington and was graduated from the Hyattsville High School. No date has been set for the wedding.

Miss Sara Hall Visits In New York on Holiday

Miss Sara A. Hall, of Washington, is visiting Miss Jessie Logie for the holidays in New York City.

Miss Hall is stopping at the Beekman Tower Hotel.

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Notes of Society

—Official and Residential

The Swedish Minister, Wollmar Bostrom, is stopping at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in New York, as is the Yugoslavian Minister, Constantin Fotitch.

Representative and Mrs. John C. Schafer, of Wisconsin, have returned to their home on Capitol Hill in order to spend the holidays with their daughters, Shirley, Lorraine and Leslie.

Mrs. John Winthrop Wadleigh is visiting her brother, Charles Mason Remey, in his home on Massachusetts avenue, where she will be joined for the holidays by her son, George Remey Wadleigh, a student at Harvard.

Demetrio Calvo, jr., and Senora de Calvo arrived in Washington yesterday to spend the holidays with their daughter, Mary Alicia, a student at National Cathedral School. The Calvos make their home in Mexico City.

Miss Minnie Mae Fleming has left her apartment at the Shoreham to spend the holidays at her home in Dallas, Tex.

Albert E. Marland, jr., entertained at a buffet supper last evening for about 40 of his friends and former clasmates from Sidwell Friends' School and Georgetown University.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren D. Mullin, of Washington, are guests at the Hotel Commodore in New York City.

Lieut. Col. and Mrs. Clyde H. Metcalf, of Newport, are spending the holiday as guests of their daughter, Mrs. Donald C. Kline here.

Miss Ella Harllee, daughter of Col. and Mrs. W. C. Harllee entertained at a dinner dance at the Chevy Chase Club on Saturday Evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Coleridge Ertz have as house guests during the holidays Mr. Ertz's sister, Mrs. Fred Will and her daughter, Jane, of Rochester, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Landrick, who have been spending the fall season at Wardman Park are spending the holiday with their daughter in Jackson, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lichtman announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Rhoda Lichtman, to Dr. Milton M. Greenberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Greenberg.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Neuman announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Doris Elaine Neuman, to Aaron Ascher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Ascher of Chicago. The wedding date has not been set.

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Colors rampant—Strawberry, peach, aqua, pistache green, yellow, gold, blue, mauve-orchid, moss green, crushed grape, black!

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$10
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500 Pairs Shoreham $4.95 SHOES $3.00
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$1.95
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Idle U. S. Ships May Be Used in Ocean Patrol

Would Report Weather Conditions and Do Rescue Work at Sea

By the Associated Press

President Roosevelt is studying a plan, informed sources said yesterday, to create jobs for idle seamen by stationing American merchant ships out in the Atlantic to report weather and do rescue work.

The plan, first broached by three Federal agencies early in the current war, calls for recommissioning of six of the maritime commission's ships and equipping them with meteorological instruments. With larger and with more comfortable quarters than most Coast Guard vessels, the merchantmen could stay at sea for prolonged periods.

When the idea first was considered, insiders said it was vetoed by the Treasury. Since that time, however, the neutrality law has thrown many seamen out of employment—imposing a burden on the Government to do something about getting better weather reports for both surface and air traffic across the Atlantic.

The information normally is supplied by ships of all nations crossing the ocean. The outbreak of the European war, however, forced ships of the belligerents to silence their radios to avert detection.

The ships would be under jurisdiction of the Coast Guard but the Weather Bureau would furnish the meteorological equipment and personnel. The latter two agencies and the Civil Aeronautics Authority all favored the plan, it was learned.

It was understood the Weather Bureau also considered using automatic weather reporting devices which, installed in buoys, would report by radio such data as temperature, barometric pressure, humidity, wind direction and velocity.

With the ships available to locate them periodically—a task which authorities said would be easy because of the radio signals emitted by the devices—they could be allowed to drift in selected areas.

Washington Bride Of Three Days Killed by Crash

Rutledge, Tenn., Dec. 24 (AP).—Mrs. Fred L. Pearson, 34, a bride of three days, was injured fatally near here yesterday when the car in which she and her husband were riding was in collision with a Bristol-bound bus.

The Pearsons, married Wednesday in Washington, were en route to the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wise, at Aberdeen, Miss., to spend the Christmas holidays.

The bride, the former Lillian Wise, was an employe of the Department of Agriculture. Her last known address here was 1334 Vermont avenue northwest.

Pearson, a War Department employe, escaped uninjured, as did people in the bus. Directories do not list his address.

The Flint's Crew Celebrates at Sea

Bergen, Norway, Dec. 24 (INS).—Capt. Gaynard and the crew of the American freighter City of Flint, whose strange odyssey made headlines throughout the world, are spending the Christmas holidays at sea en route from Bergen to northern Norway.

The captain and his men received a large number of Christmas food packages from the Norwegian government and planned a regular American style Christmas dinner on board tomorrow.

Kaiser's Granddaughter Helps in War Work

Associated Press WIREPHOTO

PRINCESS CECILE, of Prussia, granddaughter of former Kaiser Welhelm, is shown working as a voluntary drug store assistant in the army hospital at Potsdam. She is the youngest child of former Crown Prince Wilhelm

4 Generations Of Roosevelts To Open Gifts

Four generations of Roosevelts will rise early this morning, as will families everywhere in the United States, to probe the pleasant mysteries to be found only in opening Christmas stockings before breakfast.

President and Mrs. Roosevelt will attend the interdenominational service in Covenant-First Presbyterian Church at 11 o'clock this morning to hear Dr. Oscar F. Blackwelder, pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Reformation, preach on "American Needs the Manger."

After the service, Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt will return to the White House for Christmas dinner at noon, when the President will carve a 40-pound turkey. Gathered around the Christmas tree in the afternoon, the entire family will unwrap presents from all over the world.

At the White House for Christmas are the President's mother, Mrs. Sara Delano Roosevelt; Mr. and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, jr., and their 17-month-old son, Frankie; 9-year-old Curtis Dall and 12-year-old Eleanor Dall and their half-brother, 9-month-old Johnny Boettiger. Parties for the children will be held on the three days following Christmas.

The White House Christmas dinner menu:

Blue Points Saltines
Bouillon With Sherry
Beaten Biscuits
Curled Celery Assorted Olives
Roast Turkey
Chestnut Dressing
Sausages
Cranberry Jelly
Broccoli Candied Sweet Potatoes
Grapefruit and Pineapple Salad
Cheese Straws
Plum Pudding, Hard Sauce
Vanilla Ice Cream, Cake
Coffee

Early American

Yuletide

In Colonial times there was a great "in-gathering" of friends and relatives at Yuletide. In those days our country was so small that folk could do this "in-gathering" with little difficulty.

In Washington, we can no longer "in-gather" all our friends, relatives, and patrons at Christmas time; but firms and individuals do have a very pleasant way of going into each Post family circle and leaving there a message of good cheer. They do this by publishing Christmas and New Year greetings in The Washington Post. Turn over to the greeting pages today and participate in this 1939 way of "in-gathering."

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SECTION II

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Father Hurt In Vain Effort To Save Toys

Christmas Tree Fire Destroys Presents for 2 Small Sons

A father was burned painfully last night in an attempt to put out a Christmas tree fire that destroyed the presents of his family, including gifts for two small sons.

Louis Parker, 28, salesman for Thompson Dairy, was sent to Casualty Hospital with both hands severely burned after the fire in his first-floor apartment at 914 F street northeast.

He refused to remain at the hospital against a physician's advice, saying he wanted to go home to see if anything of his Christmas could be salvaged.

Children Are Heartbroken

His children, Samuel, five, and Charles, seven, spent the night at the home of neighbors, heartbroken in the knowledge there probably will be no Christmas toys for them today.

The fire also left without a home of their own at Christmas the children's mother, Mrs. Carrie Parker, and their grandmother, Mrs. Rose Sprouse, 49.

Nine other persons also were forced to flee the three-family apartment building. They included Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Rice, who had just returned to their third-floor home, and Preston Bageant, 38; Jessie Potter, Bageant's sister-in-law, and his two sons, George, 11, and Fred, 14.

Runs Back for Dog

Bageant, who was preparing to take his family to church, saw the Parker tree shoot up in flames, called firemen and then ran back into the building to rescue his dog, Ring.

Parker, meantime, was suffering his Yuletide tragedy. He, Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Sprouse were sitting in the front parlor when a tiny flame began in the light wiring and swiftly sent fire roaring through the tree.

Parker tore at the flames with his hands and tried to snatch presents from the base of the tree. The fire spread through the parlor and the others were driven out with their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Callie Francis, and Parker's brother, Lawrence B. Parker, all of 923 South Twentieth street, Arlington, Va.

The Parker parlor was destroyed with all its contents. Water damaged the apartment. Firemen blamed faulty wiring in the Christmas tree lights.

Hundreds Driven From Homes by $150,000 Lumber Yard Fire

Post Staff Photos

Typical of many driven from their homes early yesterday morning by the fire which swept lumber and coal yards at South Capitol and G streets was David White, 3, shown with his kitten, Queenie. But David refused to leave his burning home until he made certain Queenie was safe. David, his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Max White, and two other children in the family spent the day with friends until advised by the fire department they could return to their damaged home at 49 G street. Other views show general damage and firemen silhouetted by flames that threatened numerous neighboring residential structures, some of which were damaged

Mansion Is Given To Church

30-Room Episcopal Diocesan House Provided by Bishop Rhinelander

A thirty-room mansion has been given to Washington diocese as an Episcopalian center, it was announced last night by Bishop James E. Freeman.

The new diocesan house was provided by the late Bishop Philip M. Rhinelander, for 13 years warden of the College of Preachers, as a memorial to the late Dr. and Mrs. William C. Rives, who occupied the home, located at 1702 Rhode Island avenue northwest, until December, 1938.

The four-story brick mansion, of English statesman architecture, extends from Rhode Island avenue to N street. A lower chamber will be converted into a small chapel. There will be guest rooms for visiting clergy.

The building was part of a $900,000 legacy left to Bishop Rhinelander by his brother-in-law, William C. Rives 3d, philanthropist and member of a prominent Virginia family who died here last year. Rives' grandfather, William Cabell Rives, was United States Senator from Virginia and Minister to France.

Bishop Rhinelander, retired head of the Pennsylvania diocese, died suddenly three months ago. His wife, is carrying out his wishes in turning the mansion over to the Washington diocese, it was explained.

In announcing the gift, Bishop Freeman said that it was one of the most valuable ever made to the diocese and that it will stand as a "permanent witness" to Bishop Rhinelander's service. No valuation was available last night. The building is expected to be available for occupancy late this winter.

Injured Officer Is Flown Here For Treatment

Capt. Frank Irvin, Army Air Corps, was in serious condition at Walter Reed General Hospital last night after an operation which followed a fast flight from Indianapolis to Bolling Field. Capt. Irvin, 37, received critical head and spinal injuries when the airplane he was flying crashed Saturday at Indianapolis Municipal Airport.

He was brought to Washington in an Army transport plane adapted to carry a hospital bed.

H. W. Kellhofer, 30, of Dayton, Ohio, a civilian engineer employed by the Army, who was a passenger in Capt. Irvin's plane, was slightly injured in the crash.

Harris Hits ADA Program To End Slums

Alley Dwellers Have Been Forced Into Worse Places, He Says

Alley dwellers moved out by the Alley Dwelling Authority have been forced into slums worse than those they left, Dr. E. F. Harris, president of the Lincoln Civic Association, said at a mass meeting yesterday in Liberty Baptist Church.

The association adopted a "statement of facts" presented by Dr. Harris and ordered it printed for distribution to members of Congress. The statement set forth that at the inception of the ADA it was understood slums were to be eradicated and habitable houses substituted. O'Brien's Court northwest, where 56 houses were demolished and the land converted into a parking lot, was cited.

Also mentioned was Bissell's Court, where 20 houses were sold to George Washington University, and the site of the new War and Navy buildings, where 700 colored families were dislodged. The statement declared that in five years the total cost of 93 units built for colored occupancy by the ADA was $300,000, while the Authority in the same time had asked a permit to build a project for white families at a cost of $1,222,555. Colored families, it said, comprise more than 90 per cent of alley dwellers.

Attention was called to demolition of 172 houses in Navy place, predominantly colored, which has been made over by the ADA to accommodate 300 white families. The statement, the meeting was told, will be augmented by complaints from residents of the Howard Park area and of the Southwest section.

Celler to Ask Guns for Finns

Legislation that would permit Finland to obtain latest type American Army antiaircraft guns will be introduced when Congress meets next month, Representative Celler (Democrat), of New York, said yesterday. He said "nothing should stand in our way to help little Finland in her courageous fight against brute Russia."

Service circles, however, pointed out that the United States is exceedingly short of antiaircraft guns. Congressional committeemen recently have called attention to the shortage. While a program to equip 34 regiments of antiaircraft troops has been authorized and appropriated for, it will provide, in a two-year period, only 800 guns, while thousands would be needed, Army experts say, to protect American cities.

Insurance Business Sold

Luray, Va., Dec. 24.—H. Hudson Price, Luray High School teacher, has announced purchase of the insurance interests of Harvey E. Bowman. The business will be conducted under the name of the Page County Mutual Insurance Agency.

Col. Maher, Friend of Irish Free State, Dies

Led in Movement for U. S. Recognition; Rites To Be Wednesday

Lieut. Col. Edward J. Maher, U. S. A., retired, friend of Eamon De Valera, Irish premier, and a leader in the movement for United States recognition of the Free State, will be buried in Arlington National Cemetery Wednesday following funeral services at his home, 1841 Ontario place northwest, at 8:30 a. m. and at St. Paul's Church at 9 a. m.

Colonel Maher died Saturday at Walter Reed Hospital after a long illness. He was 69 years old.

Col. Maher took a leading part in Washington in activities of the American Association for Recognition of the Irish Republic with which De Valera also was identified. At that time Col. Maher developed an interest in Irish history, in which he became a recognized authority.

He also was active in the Ancient Order of Hibernians here.

He served in Cuba with the Army in the Spanish-American War and received a four-star citation for service in the World War. He retired in 1919 and was employed for six years with the rehabilitation division of the Veterans Administration.

John E Stanton, Retired Postman, Dies Here at 71

John E. Stanton, retired mail carrier, died yesterday at his home, 54 U street northwest. He was 71.

Born at Annapolis, Md., Mr. Stanton had lived in Washington 66 years. He retired from the postal service eight years ago after 39 years. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and of the Modern Woodmen of America. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Victoria Stanton; a daughter, Mrs. Katherine Boteler, and a son, J. Vincent Stanton.

Services will be at Saffell funeral home, 475 H street northwest, followed by requiem high mass at St. Martin's Church at 9 a. m. Burial will be in Mount Ilivet Cemetery.

'Boy-Burglar' Suspect Caught: Second Escapes

One of two boys who, posing as newsboys, are suspected of breaking into seven east Washington homes and stealing $160 in a month, was captured by police yesterday. A second suspect escaped through an alley.

The burglar carried newspaper delivery sacks. When confronted by residents, they claimed they were carrying papers, police said.

Two Fifth Precinct privates, Rufus Nash and W. L. Brown, said they found $60 in the pockets of the suspect.

Sermons Urge Faith in Future At Christmas

Worship Inspires Dr. McCartney's Belief That 'Tide Will Turn'

Worshiping yesterday at pre-Christmas services, Washington churchgores were urged to keep faith that "peace on earth" sometime would be a reality.

". . . As the darkness thickens and spreads, we tremble for the future," Dr. Albert J. McCartney said yesterday morning in his sermon to the Covenant-First Presbyterian congregation, "but as the Star of Bethlehem lifts once more above the horizon . . . we are called upon to kneel in humility and devotion before those qualities of mind and heart for which Christ stands."

Has Faith in Future

Dr. McCartney said he was one of those who believed the tide would turn in spite of all that is going on in the world, and pointed out that in such a service honoring the Nativity was found assurance for that conviction.

A guarantee of peace is the world's most desired Christmas gift today, Dr. Carl C. Rasmussen said at the Luther Place Memorial Church, Thomas Circle.

"This fall we found people in Scandinavia, still at peace, wishing for nothing else so much as the guarantee of peace," he told his congregation. "We found British subjects dreading the possibility that there might be war, and citizens of Germany trusting and hoping that peace might be preserved."

Dr. Rasmussen declared that Finland, China and other lands were praying for peace, "but there is no peace."

"Warfare Never Ends"

What nations call peace is only an interlude between battles in a warfare that never ends, he added.

Dr. Rasmussen's plans to study at the University of Lund, Sweden, were cancelled by the war. He and his family returned from Europe several weeks ago.

The Rev. Nathaniel C. Acton, assistant rector at St. John's Episcopal Church, Lafayette Square, assured his hearers that the Feast of the Nativity can be the "living moment" for Christians everywhere.

"It is the time when the desire of all nations has come. It is a time when there can be born a burning desire for something beyond mere time and space, beyond the smallness and pettiness of a mundane existence," he declared.

George Walker, Jr., To Give Recital

George T. Walker, jr., a junior in the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, will present a piano recital at Shiloh Baptish Church, Ninth and P streets northwest, at 8 p. m. tomorrow.

Walker, who is 17, is said to be one of the most brilliant performers at the Conservatory. He is organist of Fairchild Chapel of the Graduate School of Theology and a member of the Oberlin Capella Choir.

$150,000 Fire Routs Hundreds; 2 Overcome Battling Flames

Embers Rain Over Wide Area as Coal And Lumber Yards Blaze; Families Flee Smoke eand Heat of 4-Alarm Call

FIRE, from Page 1.

lumber, two trucks and a new sawmill, the latter costing about $20,000.

The Gensberg yard contained ten trucks, including two kerosene tankers, and stores of coal, sawdust, charcoal, excelsior, twine and upholstering materials. The tankers escaped destruction and were found almost intact.

The blaze repeated a catastrophe of 12 years ago, when the Wiegand lumber yard, then operated by the T. J. Shryock Co., mysteriously burst into flames. Damage totaled more than $80,000, but the Gensberg yard escaped with virtually no losses at that time.

The fire was discovered at 3:25 a. m. by Privates W. H. Cox and A. F. Corfield, of Fourth Precinct, who were cruising in the area in a scout car. They turned in the first alarm. Third Battalion Fire Chief Owen Moxley turned in the second, third and fourth alarms.

18 Engines Answer Calls

Three engines called to the scene in a special alarm turned in by Chief Porter brought the total equipment at the fire to 18 engines and five trucks. Four hundred firemen who were off duty awakened by telephone calls to occupy firehouses as relief for the 150 men fighting the flames.

As flaming embers rained down over the surrounding area, civilian volunteers seized fire extinguishers and dashed into their homes to put out incidental fires. Trainmen on the nearby Pennsylvania Railroad embankment hastily switched box cars and moved them away from the danger zone.

The red haze covering the sky was visible as far as Alexandria, Va. Spectators came from nearby streets, Virginia and Maryland.

Water Runs Short

A special call was put in to the Water Department for assistance when the more than 25 hoses played upon the fire-drained nearby water mains, and several hydrants could not be made to function.

The shriek of sirens and an insistent pounding on the door of his home awakened Max White, of 49 G street southwest, owner of a grocery store at the same address. He and his wife, Sonia, hastily threw coats over their pajamas, bundled up their three children and started from the house.

His son, David, who will be 3 Sunday, protested.

"I want Queenie," he cried. And a frantic search ensued for the stray kitten that had wandered into the store several weeks before. Queenie was found hiding under the bed and then the family fled the smoke-filled house.

As the blaze died down to a smolder, G street residents relaxed yesterday in their smoky homes and renewed preparations for a Christmas that they had almost missed.

Cracked windows were mended with tape and broken ones covered with tar paper. Red wreaths were straightened in the windows that had escaped the scorching heat. Evergreen trees, knocked to the floor in the mad scramble of the night, were rearranged with gifts.

Mrs. Bertha Greenwood, of 34 G street southwest, laughed again as the strain eased off, and told neighbors how her husband had seized a bundle of clothes in the daze that accompanied his sudden awakening and dashed from the house, thinking he was bearing his 4-month-old daughter, Jacqueline.

Children Taken to Haven

The hot wind sweeping across the street from the inferno in the lumber yard blistered his face and the pain completed the awakening process. He ran back into the house and rescued Jacqueline, while his wife carried 5-year-old Clarisse to the home of friends several blocks away.

A dreary holiday faced the 15 residents of 41 G street southwest who were dispossessed by the flames that ruined the building.

"Christmas came a little early for me," said James Cross, 33. "I don't know where I can go to sleep tonight. What is there for a man to do? Just hard luck after hard luck.

"I've been just getting along now since the 18-month law got me off the WPA. No welfare people are in now. They're all home celebrating Christmas. I don't know when I'll get me a new place to stay."

Lewis Trent, 47, and his wife, Emma, 42, were taken in for a few days by James Bentley, of 43 G street southwest, whose home had escaped with water damage and a flooded basement.

Windows Were Red-hot

"There's no Christmas for us," Mrs. Trent said. "We'll have to find a new house."

But Trent, a butler, was more cheerful.

"We're lucky to get away as easy as we did," he said. "And we're lucky we've got kind friends to carry us until we get settled again."

Alva Taylor, a mail carrier, of 44 G street southwest, told how "the windows were so hot, you could fry an egg on them."

"After a narrow escape like that," he said, "we're certainly going to have a merry Christmas."

Rockville Services

The Rev. Forrest J. Prettyman, D. D., formerly chaplain of the United States Senate, will deliver the address at services in the Rockville (Md.) Methodist Church at 6:30 a. m. today. The church choir will give a special music program under direction of William F. Prettyman.

Carols Sung at Luray

Luray, Va., Dec. 24.—Christmas carols were sung from house to house on Christmas Eve. Carolers were led by Hudson Price.

Two Women Hold Up Man Here, Get $42

Ask for Cigarettes, Draw Pistol, Knife, Depart With Wallet

Two women, one armed with a knife, the other with a pistol, picked up $42 in Christmas money yesterday by holding up Ernest Combs in the 900 block of Ninth street northwest.

First the women asked Combs for a cigarette. When he had provided them with a smoke apiece, they drew their weapons and forced surrender of his wallet.

A man, meanwhile, concluded his Christmas "shopping" in the show window of the Isidore Shah jewelry store, 921 P street northwest, where 11 watches and six rings valued at $575 were stolen after the glass was smashed. Police charge James E. Beard, 30, of the 1200 block of Elev- street northwest, with housebreaking.

Mrs. Alexander Kavelis faced two holdup men in her store at 1117 Eleventh street northwest. The men had guns. She screamed. The men ran.

Violent Deaths Claim 326 Over U. S. in 48 Hours

By the Associated Press

At least 326 persons had met sudden death in traffic collisions, fires, suicides, fights, drownings before the stroke of midnight last night.

Highway and street accidents contributed 234 fatalities during the 48-hour period preceding Christmas. Fires added 24 more, gunshot six, and suicides, train accidents, knifings and other means to an end, 60.

Illinois led the Nation with 27 fatalities, 12 caused by motor cars. New York was second with 26 fatalities, 14 of which were claimed by automobiles.

Wedding Bells Vie With Yule Chimes

Winchester, Va., Dec. 24.—Wedding bells mingled with Christmas chimes in this city, today. When he closed his office yesterday, Clark M. Smith, clerk of the corporation court, has issued licenses to 37 couples. Clerk Julian Baker, in the county court office, had issued 22.

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3 Shot to Death In District's Christmas Eve

Body of Chinese Is Found in Hotel; Wife Sees Ex-Clerk End Life

Christmas finds this chronology of the deaths of three unhappy men in Washington yesterday:

4:16 a. m.—Joseph Long, 22, a New York City Chinese, lay dead on the floor of a Commodore Hotel room with a .38 caliber pistol bullet in his body. Hotel employes found him after hearing a shot. In a note, Long cited ill health. District Coroner A. Magruder MacDonald withheld a death certificate pending further investigation.

12:05 p. m.—Before the eyes of his wife, Lucy, William R. Killmon, 67, retired clerk, put a .32 caliber revolver to his head and pulled the trigger while standing in an upstairs bathroom of his home, 637 M street northeast. Killmon, ill a week, had told members of his family he feared he was dying. Dr. MacDonald listed the case as suicide.

3 p. m.—Malcolm Kenner, 37, Veterans Administration employe, was sprawled unconscious from a bullet wound in the abdomen when found by his wife, Mrs. Minnie Kenner, in an upstairs bedroom of their home, 3116 Thirty-eighth street northwest. Near him lay a .32 caliber pistol. Mrs. Kenner told Dr. MacDonald she could not say how the shooting occurred. Dr. MacDonald has issued no death certificate in the case.

Long left a note in which he said that "This half-dead structure is of no use to anyone." It apologized for the "trouble caused" and advised police that a search for relatives would be fruitless "because I have none."

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Roosevelt Lauds Coast Guard Work

President Roosevelt complimented the Coast Guard in a radio holiday greeting yesterday, asserting it has "faithfully maintained the splendid tradition of the service" during the year and "continues to merit the full confidence of the Nation."

Rear Admiral R. R. Waesche, commandant, replying, told the President that "your manifestations of interest in and praise of the work done by our forces is, I assure you, a major factor in past accomplishments, as well as an inspiration to future progress."

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This Morning

With Shirley Povich

"Well, I do believe Santa Claus has lost weight. He must have taken off at least 60 pounds, and it shows on his face and in his belt line. Why, the old fellow is positively thin this year. Are you feeling all right, Santy? Wouldn't have anything happen to you for the world, chum. Not after what you're doing for us, anyway. We'll always love ya, Sant'."

POVICH

Those quotes are probably being uttered by Mr. Ed Barrow, president of the New York Yankees. Because at this time, and as far as Barrow is concerned, Santa is beginning to look suspiciously like tall, stooped, hawk-faced Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis, boss of the baseball industry. The evidence is that he's bringing the Yankees something awfully nice.

The judge hasn't come right out and said so, but he has been sort of hinting that the gift he is going to deliver to the Yankees is a cute gadget called Rudy York, which actually plays first base very well, and from time to time hits some tremendously important home runs. It's simple to operate, too. Just plug him into the line-up and that's all there is to it. The home runs and other hits begin to spout.

Landis Calls on Tigers to Explain

Perhaps you noticed the other day that the judge ordered the Detroit Tigers and Philadelphia to hold everything. What he meant was for those two clubs to suspend the deal they made at Cincinnati earlier in the month when the Tigers traded Infielder Benny McCoy to the A's for Outfielder Wally Moses. The judge doesn't like the aroma of that trade. He isn't blaming the A's. He's giving them a clean bill. He wants the Tigers, though, to explain a few matters.

The judge wants the Tigers to show cause, for example, why he shouldn't declare McCoy a free agent. He doesn't like the way the Detroit club has been shuffling McCoy around in the minors. If they have retarded McCoy from advancing in the baseball profession by "cover-up" deals, then they must lose title to him. When they traded him to the A's they may have traded a ball player they don't own. At least, Landis is investigating the matter.

And how do the Yankees come into the picture? Well, the fact is they're not interested in young Benny even if he were the real McCoy. But they are interested in Rudy York, and if Landis declares McCoy a free agent, then there is a distinct probability that he will also command the Tigers to release York. Because York came up in the Detroit farm system along much the same lines that did McCoy and any ruling that would apply to McCoy might similarly reply to York.

Certainly Landis isn't talking for exercise when he tells the Tigers and the A's to hold-up the McCoy deal. It has long been known that the Detroit farm system has been under suspicion by Landis' office. There were reports at the time the deal was made, three weks ago, that it was so much wastd motion; that Landis would never give it his sacred approval.

With Which Club Would York Sign? Heh Heh

And if York is declared a free agent, there isn't much doubt as to which club would be his destination. He would land with the Yankees as surely as the sun will set in the west tonight. No other club has a chance to out-bid the Yanks, unless it is the Cubs, and York, in fact, would be a fool to sign with any team except the Yankees.

To York also, Santa has begun to look suspiciously like the old, white-haired judge. Because in the event he is declared a free agent, he can pocket a sum that may range as high as $100,000. As a free agent, he would be entitled to the full purchase price paid by any club that bought him, and there are reasons why the Yankees would go that high. And, in signing with the Yankees, York could well anticipate also an almost annual bonus in the form of a full share of the World Series spoils.

If Landis does, indeed, deposit York on their doorstep, the gift will arrive in the wake of what had been the Yankees' darkest hour. A favorable ruling by Landis would completely offset and nullify the measures taken by envious rival American League clubs to stagnate the Yanks by forbidding them to make any deals with other big-league clubs except by the medium of waivers. And star ball-players rarely are acquired on waivers.

York Would Guarantee Yankee Supremacy

The Yankees need a first baseman and are willing to pay for him, but the new American League legislation had closed the door to a deal with the Browns for George McQuinn, the only star first baseman available.

Babe Dahlgren did tolerably well defensively for the Yankees, but his .235 batting average was a horrible chink in the Yankees' offensive machinery. First base is the one spot where the Yankees are weak. And there isn't a single promising first-base prospect in the entire Yankee farm system at this writing.

But now this York matter is brewing. It is entirely conceivable that Landis will declare him a free agent, and in that eventually it is absurd to presume that any club but the Yankees will sign him. And with York on first base, the Yanks can laugh at the rest of the league for a long, long time. Pretty soon, now, Barrow will let you know if there is a Santa Claus.

On the Line

With CONSIDINE

New York, Dec. 24.—"Dear Sir," writes a friend of mine named Mrs. Considine, "why don't you take a holiday, like other normal people, and reprint that piece you wrote last year on Christmas? I think you called it "A Rare Babe Was Born." Okay, Madame. Anything to please a reader.

CONSIDINE

Once upon a time there might have been a bloke named Mike, who came down to Christmas Eve with pockets that were cleaner than his neck. Mike had had a bad year. He wasn't a bum, exactly, but was so closely related to bumhood that the Christmas shoppers edged away from him, for fear he might put the bite on them. Mike felt badly, but looked worse.

He was a sentimental soul, this Mike was. He didn't mind the shoppers when they took that quick, furtive gander at him, and looked away.

Mike thought that it was all right to give a present for Christmas, so long as it hurt you a little to give it, and if it went to someone who could use it, and who would be surprised and pleased by it.

Now Mike had a couple of friends, down around the Baltimore waterfront. They were bums, and the way they ate was to go into the Mission and yell out a hymn. So Mike walked along the cold street, vaguely warmed by the yellow lights that spilled from the store windows. He liked those lights, and he liked the sound of the horses' hooves, and the murmur of the smart carriages that went past him, and the color of women's cheeks, as they minced by him, picking their dresses up from the snow that leaked through his shoes.

Mike walked faster now. He had caught a vagrant whiff of the wharves. It gave him an idea. He had a dollar in his pocket—no, it was crumpled in his hand. He had found it that way and had said a little prayer of thanks for it. It was the first break he had had in days. Now, he knew what he'd do with it. He'd go down to the Mission and find his friends. And he'd say to them, "I found a buck today. Let's go down the corner and drink it. Celebrate."

Prospect of Rye Cheers Mike Up

That was a good idea, he thought, as, almost automatically, he stopped to look into a sports goods store. Himself, he'd take rye. It gave a man a warm and rugged feeling. It would make him forget that in a little while he'd stop trying to find a job, and begin to bum like his friends. It would be hard for him, for the thing that was still fine in him was taking a long time to die. "Rye for you, Michael, m'lad," he said, aloud. "And it'll be a merry Christmas you'll have."

But even as he mused he knew, somewhere down inside him, that there would be no rye. He knew there would be nothing at all, except the Mission beans and a flop in a wintry room. For he had been looking at something in the window of the sports store. And he knew he must buy it. It was a baseball bat, and the sign on it said that it cost $1.

It was a beautiful thing, that bat was. It glistened in its coat of varnish. Mike's bleared eyes roamed up and down its grain, its trademark, the slim grip and the great solid batting surface. He wondered what sacrifice he would have made as a kid for that bat, and he could think none too great.

Still Walking, but Minus Dollar

In a little while he was walking again, the bat under his arm, his palm damp where the crumpled dollar had been. For a moment he felt a little sorry for his friends at the Mission. There would be no drinks for them. And, worse, there would be no warming rye for himself. For a split instant he felt sorry for himself, and remotely noble. But in a little while he thought only of the kid who would get that bat, never knowing where it came from. That, to Mike, was joy enough for the disappearance of his dollar. That, to Mike, who would never see the kid, was Christmas.

He knew where he'd leave it, because often he walked by the old place and saw the abandoned boys in the yard. He walked to the door of the school, St. Mary's Industrial School, and leaned the bat against the front door. Then he rang the bell, and ran clumsily down the dark street.

The Christian Brother who came to the door did not see him. But he saw the bat, shrugged, and took it in. He took it in and said to himself that he'd give it to the boy who had the least of all the boys in the home.

Chubby Youngster Gets the Bat

They gave out the presents after mass on Christmas morning: Presents that the police had mended, or charitable organizations had sent to the home. The kid who got the bat was Chubby Boy who had no real home, who had no chance. He was a homely kid, with a broad, flat nose, a great humorous gash of a mouth and lively dark eyes. And when he picked up that bat that Mike, the tramp, had left at the home, a strange look came into those little black eyes. It was the first bat the big kid ever owned. He set his skinny legs in a peculiar kind of stance and he swung the bat, with a natural roll of his fat body. And there was a kind of communion between his wrists and his pivot. And a communion between himself and his bat.

That was the day a babe was born.

That could have been the day THE BABE was born.

North-South Game Looms As Air Battle

44 Players Arrive For Second Annual All-Star Attraction In Montgomery, Ala.

By the Associated Press

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 24.—An air battle, something unheard of in the 60's, shaped up today as the likely feature of next Saturday's second Blue and Gray football game dedicated to North-South friendship.

This was the unanimous prediction of observers as two of the Nation's outstanding ends, Esco Sarkkinen, of Ohio State, and Ken Kavanaugh, of Louisiana State University, went through their paces in first rehearsals of the all-star teams.

Coaches Take Charge

Within two hours after the senior players from opposite sides of the Mason-Dixon line arrived, the mentors—Carl Snavely, of Cornell, and Lynn Waldorf, of Northwestern, for the North; Ray Morrison, of Vanderbilt, and Josh Cody, of Florida, for the South—sent their charges through stiff workouts.

Rain, first to fall here in nearly four months, failed to dampen the ardor of either coaches or players. In full uniform, except shoes, the Southern boys drilled in "sock-feet" at a gymnasium late yesterday, while the invading "Yankee" aggregation ventured onto a soaked field between showers.

All Players On Hand

All 44 stars, 22 for each team, were on hand today and hard workouts were held despite continuing gloomy weather.

In a game of pass-flinging, Kavanaugh and Sarkkinen would be aided by six more of the country's able wingmen, Harlan Gustafson of Pennsylvania, Dick Grefe of Northwestern, and John Rogalla of Scranton (Pa.) University—for the North; Ned McDonald, Texas, Bill Bailey, Duke, and Ogden Baur, L. S. U.,—for the South.

While the gridmen prepared for the main attraction of the year-end show, the society element was in rehearsal for a pageant Saturday morning that will depict the Montgomery of 1861 when Jefferson Davis was sworn in on the Old Statehouse steps here as president of the Confederacy.

Baltimore Five Beaten By Brewers

Locals Take Second Place in League With 36-24 Victory

Washington Heurich Brewers yesterday gained undisputed possession of second place as they completely outclassed Baltimore's Clippers in an American Basketball League game at Heurich gymnasium, 36 to 24.

The Clippers, twice conqueror of the Philadelphia Sphas, proved unable to stop the "pot shot" specialties of the 6 foot 6 inch Mike Bloom who scored the grand total of 17 points.

Mae Dubilier, saving most of his punch for a last period rush, closed fast to score six field goals and a free toss.

Baltimore's ranking star and leading scorer of the American League, Bob McDermott, was bottled up most of the way. Not until the Brewers had the game well under control could McDermott break away, and then only to the extent of two field goals.

Bloom contributed ten points to send the Brewers out in front at intermission, 15 to 6.

The New York Jewels, winner of the 1938-39 American Basketball League's play-off championship series, will invade Heurich gymnasium tonight for a 9 o'clock game with the Washington Heurich Brewers.

In a 7:30 o'clock preliminary, United Clay Products are to oppose Bantam-Press in a Heurich Amateur Basketball League game.

Heurich.	G	FG	P	Baltimore.	G	FG	P
Dubilier,f....	6	1	13	O'Brien,f.....	3	0	6
Lee,f.....	0	1	1	Gerson,f.....	1	1	3
Goldfadden,f.	0	0	0	Nash,f.....	0	0	0
Bloom,c.....	7	3	17	Conaty,c.....	1	0	2
Kramer,g....	1	0	2	Bollerman,c..	2	1	5
Posnack,g....	0	0	0	McDermott,g.	2	0	4
Wilson,g.....	1	0	2	Esposito,g....	2	0	4
Carson,g.....	0	1	1				
Totals....	15	6	36	Totals.....	11	2	24

Referee—Begovich. Umpire—White.

D. & H.	G	FG	P	Capitolians.	G	FG	P
McVean,f....	4	0	8	Hollidge,f....	0	0	0
Manders,f....	0	0	0	Buckholtz,f...	2	0	4
Kiesel,c.....	5	1	11	Shaner,c.....	3	0	6
Viana,g.....	3	0	6	Boswell,g.....	3	0	6
Lombardy,g..	4	1	9	Lomax,g.....	1	1	3
Totals....	16	2	34	Totals.....	9	1	19

Referee—White.

Christmas Eve Morning at the Figure-Skating Club Party

Vols Given Rousing Welcome at Pasadena

Rose Bowl Foes of Southern Cal End Long Trek From Knoxville; Coach Refuses to Predict Tennessee Victory

By the Associated Press

Pasadena, Calif., Dec. 24.—Tennessee's undefeated football team arrived today determined to knock over the unbeaten Trojans of Southern California in the Rose Bowl New Year's Day.

Completing their long journey from Knoxville, the vaunted Volunteers from the South alighted from the train amidst a roar of welcome from several thousand people.

As the Tournament of Roses band broke into the strains of "Dixie" Maj. Bob Neyland, the Tennessee coach, stepped off the platform, hat in hand, and called: "Hello, California!"

Head Coach Howard Jones of the Trojans, Willis O. Hunter, U. S. C. athletic director; and Tournament of Roses officials, including Lathrop Leishman of the tournament football committee, were among the welcomers. Maj. Neyland was surrounded by cameramen and friends, as his football squad, 35 strong, slipped off their coach at the other end of the train, climbed into a bus and headed for their first workout on California soil.

"We have a lot of work to do and this looks like the weather to do it in," he said, glancing up at the bright sun.

"We know we have a tough game ahead and we intend to be ready for it. We don't know whether we will win or not, but the boys will give everything they've got."

First Workout Light

The squad was taken to Brookside Park, which is located in the Arroyo Seco, near the famed Rose Bowl. The workout was a limbering up drill, mostly for the benefit of cameramen.

Newsmen aboard the Volunteers' special repeated that George Cafego, the main offensive threat of the team, doubtless would start the game, but whether his injured knee would hold up remained a question.

Clarence Brown, prominent motion-picture director and Tennessee alumnus, at whose ranch the Vol delegation will spend Christmas, met the special 50 miles east of Los Angeles and came on into Pasadena with it.

Dr. A. B. Stewart, president of the Tennessee Alumni Association, said many entertainment features have been arranged for the guests, including a round of sightseeing excursions.

Georgia Tech Arrives Amid Band's Blare

Mayor and Missouri Coach Greet Techmen; Team Irons Out Kinks

By the Associated Press

Miami, Fla., Dec. 24—The Georgia Tech football squad rolled into town today to the strains of that old battle song, "The Ramblin' Wreck From Georgia Tech," and lost little time settling down to work for the New Year's Day Orange Bowl game against Missouri.

Mayor E. G. Sewell, several score well-wishers and Coach Don Faurot, of Missouri, greeted the Georgians as a high school band whooped it up.

The Tech party went to its Miami Beach hotel for luncheon and then hustled out to the Miami High School practice field to iron out the travel kinks. In a half-hour the players were sweating in the 72-degree sunshine.

Plan Light Workout

Coach W. A. Alexander, of Tech, said he planned another light workout tomorrow before bearing down with contact sessions Tuesday and Wednesday.

We've still got a lot of work to do," Alexander said.

He predicted a fairly wide open game, since both teams do a lot of passing, but wouldn't be pinned down on a forecast of the outcome.

"We are down here to play a good football game," he grinned, "but we wouldn't be too surprised if we got licked. This Paul Christman, of Missouri is unquestionably one of the great passers in the country. I've been telling the fellows, 'We've got to forget about Christmas and start thinking about Christman.'"

Fairly Good Shape

Alexander said the squad was in fairly good condition except for Billy Gibson, ace wingback who reinjured his bad knee in practice a few days ago and probably won't play.

Gibson's substitute, Earl Wheby, was in uniform today but was still weak from a siege of influenza.

"Bobby Pair definitely will start at that position," the Tech coach said, "but we are short on wingbacks and I may have to use Joe Bartlett, an end." Bartlett, a former tailback, was worked at end, however, in practice today.

Faurot sent his Missouri players through a workout this morning and had them out again this afternoon for a signal drill.

N. E. Boys Club Beats Training School, 39-21

Northeast Boys Club defeated the National Training School five yesterday on the latter's court, 39 to 21. Lombardy led the visitors' attack with 10 points.

The Boys Club team would like to book games with leading unlimited clubs. Coach Suit can be reached at Lincoln 2901.

N. T. S.	G	FG	P	N. E. B. C.	G	FG	P
McNally,f....	4	1	9	J.Stasulli,f...	4	1	9
Moore,f.....	0	0	0	Michael,f.....	2	0	4
Loche,f.....	0	0	0	Cooksey,f.....	3	1	7
Mikus,c.....	5	0	10	B.Stasulli,f...	1	0	2
Seipps,g.....	1	0	2	Purday,c.....	0	1	1
Bally,g.....	0	0	0	Colle,c.....	1	0	2
Hines,g.....	0	0	0	Lombardy,g...	6	0	12
				Embres,g.....	1	0	2
Totals....	10	1	21	Richmond,g...	0	0	0
				Totals.....	17	3	39

Post Staff Photos

Guests of the Washington Figure Skating Club, a group of youngsters had a big time at Riverside Stadium yesterday morning at the annual party of the fancy skaters. Santa was Harry F. Gemme. Lower—Lois Waring, age 9, of the Baltimore Figure Skating Club, in a solo number

Merrick, Turf's 'Grand Old Man,' Looks Back on Brilliant Career

J. Cal Milam Plans Big Holiday for Oldest Thoroughbred at Lexington; Sugar for Star

By Justin Anderson

Associated Press Sports Writer.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 24.—J. Cal Milam, a sentimental horseman if there ever was one, has performed one of his annual Christmas chores—hanging up a holly wreath over the stall of Merrick, "Grand Old Man" of the track.

Merrick, which will be 37 New Year's Day, the official birthday of all thoroughbreds, is reputed to be the oldest living blue-blooded race horse and one of the outstanding "Iron Men" of the flat runners.

Come Christmas and New Year's Day, Merrick will get an extra fare of brown sugar and oats—another of Milam's sentimental remembrances for the gallant old trouper, which was retired in 1915 after 12 years of campaigning.

Although the chestnut gelding contributed few stirring episodes to the sport of kings, he nevertheless will leave his name to posterity after he passes from the scene—Milam has seen to that.

A highway bridge in this (Fayette) County and the farm on which he is quartered have been named Merrick in tribute to the veteran.

Merrick became even more of an equine patriarch following the death some months back of Ballot, at the age of 33 reputed to have been the world's oldest thoroughbred stallion.

Aside from his long career on the track, Merrick was a high-grade

See MERRICK, Page 15, Column 6.

Bob Bensinger Favorite in Net Tourney

By the Associated Press

New York, Dec. 24.—For 122 young hopefuls the Christmas vacation this week will mean the annual National Indoor Junior and Boys Tennis tournaments, opening Tuesday at the Seventh Regiment Armory.

The boys seeded list was headed by Robert Lee Bensinger, Takoma Park, Md., followed by Irvin Dorfman, Jack Geller and Albert Shafer, all of New York.

There's sure to be new champions in each class, because Joey Fishback, of Brooklyn, junior titleholder for two years, has passed the age limit, and Jimmy Everet, of Chicago, the boys' champ, has graduated into the junior division.

With Fishback out of the running, Bill Unstaedter, of Millburn, N. J., a student at Louisiana State University, has been seeded No. 1, and will be strongly favored. He went to the quarter-finals last year.

39 Boston Men Make Bowl Trip

North Andover, Mass., Dec. 24 (U.P.). Despite a wave of grippe that forced ten players including several regulars to cease practice, the entire 39-man Boston College football squad is expected to entrain Tuesday for Dallas, Tex., where they meet Clemson New Year's Day in the Cotton Bowl classic.

Hockey Scores

Baltimore, 5; Washington, 4.
NATIONAL LEAGUE
Boston, 5; New York Americans, 2.
INTERNATIONAL AMERICAN LEAGUE
New Haven, 3; Pittsburgh, 1.
Providence, 4; Philadelphia, 1.
Syracuse, 3; Springfield, 0.

Loss Costly In Hershey Cup Series

Hosts Win First Game In 4 Starts Against Washington Six; Kuntz Scores Twice

By Jack Munhall.

A Staff Correspondent

Iceland Arena, Baltimore, Dec. 24. Baltimore Oriole hockeyists won their first game in four starts against the Washington Eagles here tonight, 5-4, and virtually eliminated the District team from a chance at the Hershey Cup, first in the three-cup series of the Eastern Amateur League.

In what was claimed to be the best game of the season here, both from the standpoint of rough play and good hockey, the Orioles scored twice in the last four minutes of the final period to overcome a 4-3 lead and break the jinx of the Capital City six.

The MacKenzie crew withdrew Goalie Godron Lee in the last two minutes and inserted an extra wingman for scoring punch in an effort to tie the count, but the move was in vain as the host goalie, George Kelly, and the Oriole defense stopped them cold.

Eagles in Lead

The Eagles led, 4-3, with the minutes ticking away when Riley, on an assist from Vitarelli and Roach, scored the tying goal in 12:45 of the final period. Then less than a minute later Guy Roach, on an assist from Riley and Ripley, scored on a spectacular shot from 3 feet inside the blue line in 13:20.

Alan Kuntz, who, aside from his two goals, was the outstanding offensive star of the losers, sent the Eagles ahead for the second time, they scored the first goal, when he sent the puck in the net unassisted with only one Oriole defense man between him and the net. That made the score 4-3 and preceded the eventual winning tallies.

Goalie Lee, a castoff from the Orioles who figured in their early defeats at the hands of the Eagles, played another fine game against his old mates but they were in their best form of the season against the Riverside crew and came through with the victory.

Germann Banished

The triumph delighted the home town Christmas Eve crowd of 1,500. Penalty box assignments were limited, although Mike Germann's banishment in the third period was costly to the Eagles as Riley scored the tying goal while he was inactive.

From the opening minutes it was apparent that this was to be a rough and hard-fought match. The Orioles, having failed to score a single victory over the Eagles this season while playing fairly clean hockey, seemed to be bent upon upsetting the Washington attack with rough tactics. And the Eagles gladly reciprocated.

Even Norman Calladine, the Orioles' fine wing and a gent who usually sticks well within the bounds of legal play, was rushing all over the rink, promiscuously bumping and being bumped in return.

Excitement was prevalent all evening. Before the match started the quickly gathering crowd was startled by the roar of fire engines answering an alarm at Carlin's Park. After long search the firemen discovered the blaze to be in the clubhouse, and they extinguished it rapidly, but not before considerable damage had been done.

Eagles.	Position.	Orioles.
Lee	Goal	Kelly
Davies	L.D.	Dyke
Burrage	R.D.	Roach
Partis	Center	Grigor
Cairns	L.W.	Reilly
Foster	R.W.	Ripley
McTeer	Spare	Calladine
Knipfel	Spare	Vitarelli
Courtreau	Spare	Hunt
Kuntz	Spare	Pruss
Ramsay	Spare	Nichol
Covert	Spare	Archambault
Dewey	Spare	Tuten
Germann	Spare	Boll

1, Eagles, Dewey (Huntz, Covert), 9:02; 2, Orioles, Calladine (Nichols), 12:50.

Second period—3, Orioles, Ball (unassisted), 3:30; 4, Eagles, Kuntz (Covert), 4:20.

Third period—5, Eagles, Courteau (unassisted), 10:32; 6, Orioles, Hunt (Calladine), 10:59; 7, Eagles, Kuntz (unassisted), 12:30; 8, Orioles, Riley, (Vitarelli, Roach), 12:45; 9, Orioles, Roach (Ripley, Riley), 13:20.

Referee—Bill Chadwick. Linesman—Vernon Buckles.

New York Rovers Beat Sea Gulls, 8-2

By the Associated Press

New York, Dec. 24.—Led by Frankie Parker, who substituted for Whitey Rimstad in the starting line-up, the New York Rovers easily defeated Atlantic City, 8-2, today in an Eastern Amateur Hockey League game. Parker scored three goals and assisted in two others.

The victory proved a costly one for the Red Shirts when Bob Brownridge suffered a broken leg during the first period when he slid into the goal post. He will be out of action for about six weeks.

Amateur Fights At Gonzaga

Amateur boxing makes its return to Washington Tomorrow night at the Gonzaga auditorium, 47 I street northwest, under the promotional wing of Frankie Mann, so-called "dean" of Washington's fight managers, matchmakers and promoters.

Jimmy DeChard, who defeated the world's amateur champion, Tony Novak, in his last appearance here, will headline the card of 10 bouts, which will be sponsored by the Booster Athletic Association of St. Aloysius Church.

Local A. A. U. champions, Golden Gloves fighters and Diamond Belt titleholders from Baltimore will be called in to fight in a number of weekly cards to be staged by Mann.

Entrance of the old-time promoter who staged bouts in the "bootleg boxing" days of 1925 into competition with professional boxing will be in the form of a preview for the Golden Gloves boxing tourney opening January 10 in Turner's area.

Sports Trail: Wherein You Get an 'Expert's' Viewpoint

By Whitney Martin

Associated Press Sports Writer

New York, Dec. 24 (AP).—With usual generosity this corner again is spreading Christmas cheer by giving advice, sympathy and understanding. Expense is ignored, as money means nothing. We were crawling over the floor just for exercise. That rolling dime had nothing to do with it, and besides, it was only a nickel.

Anyway, here's Santa Claus, holding the sack as usual:

ADVICE

University of Tennessee—You've got a great football team, but your schedule reads like the stations on a branch line out of Chattanooga. The public would give you a lot more credit if you stopped a good team every week instead of a weak team almost every step.

Billy Conn—Don't try to crowd yourself into a match with Joe Louis. You've got plenty of time, and it's better to be wearing a crown in two years than be crowned in one. Two still are a crowd to Joe, and he makes haste to be alone.

Seven American League Clubs—Do something about the Yankees besides admire them. Just what, we're still trying to figure out.

Gene Sarazen—Teach your fellow pros that the best way to keep in the spotlight is to say what they think, instead of thinking too long about what they say.

SYMPATHY

Ernie Lombardi—Lots of us are dizzy, and didn't have to be bumped to get that way.

Sam Snead—We've come within one figure of winning a bingo game lots of times, although it wasn't a figure eight. And don't bury your golf future in one hole.

Cincinnati Reds—It takes more than brakes to stop a machine like the Yankees. It takes breaks. We all sometimes tackle jobs too big for us.

Clark Shaughnessy—You can't make applesauce without apples, and you can't play grand circuit football with county fair material.

Johnny Vander Meer—Because you held 13 spades twice in a row they expected you to win every hand. Nobody can throw a good game with a bad arm.

Lou Nova—It's bad enough to be gently awakened from a dream of riches, let alone be awakened with sledgehammers.

UNDERSTANDING

Bill De Correvont—They blew you up and then tried to stick pins in you. We'd all like to get an even break.

Jock Sutherland—It's tough to be so good that they think all the schools are after you to coach, so they all lay off thinking you wouldn't be interested.

Zeke Bonura—They criticize you for being yourself instead of a fancy Dan around first base. Lots of us do the best we can and then catch the dickens because it isn't better.

Joe Louis—When you don't knock out your man in three or four rounds they say you're slipping. A decision was good enough for the former chaps. You've set a new standard of performance and you're its first victim. The tail may be harmless, but sometimes it takes a dog a little while to catch it when they're going around in the same ring together.

And if that isn't very clear, maybe this is: Merry Christmas to All.

Westcoast Writers Say Challedon Will Run in $100,000 Race

128-Pound Assignment Seen Magnet

Would Face Kayak II At Weight-for-Age; Scribes Know Brann Star Is Badly Needed

By Walter Haight

My press box friends out on the watched four runnings of the $100,- watched four runnings of the 100,- 000 added Santa Anita Handicap, do not agree with me that W. L. Brann's Challedon will go to the post in the $50,000 Widener this winter. The California gang, headed by Paul Lowry, of the Los Angeles Times, are unanimous in the opinion that the Frederick, Md., colt will seek the hundred grand and they point to the favorable weight given Challedon as the magnet that will draw him.

Brother Lowry, who knows his Santa Anita Handicap, forward and backward, has much to say on the subject.

Surprising nobody at all, C. S. Howard's Seabiscuit has been assigned top weight of 130 pounds for the sixth Santa Anita Handicap—the third year in a row he has been awarded this honor. Howard's Kayak II, winner of the last Santa Anita with 110 pounds on his back, is next with 129 and Challedon, 3-year-old king and "horse of the year," follows at 128.

These are the "Big Three" of the next $100,000 special, as indicated by the official list released yesterday by Racing Secretary Webb Everett.

The drop-off after Challedon is a six-pound gap to Cravat at 122, Dauber at 120 and Sun Lover at 119.

Out of Action

For the past two Santa Anitas, Everett has had Seabiscuit at 130 and 134, respectively, but he took into consideration the fact that the horse was not only beaten in his last start, but broke down at the same time, has since been in the stud and has been away from the racing strips for nine months.

In fact, all the potential cripples of the race, including such as Seabiscuit, Dauber and Perifox, lost from four to six pounds over their imposts of a year ago.

The surprise, if any, in the Everett assignments is the 129 awarded Kayak II, as compared with Challedon's 128. The Santa Anita racing secretary treats the two exactly alike, giving them weight for age, after Challedon easily humbled Kayak II in the Pimlico Special on this basis.

Should Come West

Operating on the theory that Challedon has been well treated, there seems to be no reason why Owner W. L. Brann should not ship his prize color-bearer to the Coast instead of Hialeah, shooting for $100,000 as against $50,000.

The main argument against this line of reasoning is the fact that Challedon has the Widener Challenge Cup at his mercy, whereas Kayak II might be more dangerous over a fast track at Santa Anita than he was over the slightly "off" track the day the Pimlico Special was run.

The weight scale for a race the distance of the Santa Anita Handicap March 2—one and one-quarter miles—is 106 pounds for 3-year-olds, 128 for 4-year-olds and 129 for 5-year-olds and up.

Ages Listed

Seabiscuit, approximately $30,000 shy of Sun Beau's all-time money-winning record, will be 7 next year, Kayak II, 5 and Challedon 4.

The 'Biscuit, therefore, is asked to carry one pound over scale with Kayak II and Challedon, as said before, even on the scale.

Actually, the fourth horse in the race—as far as the scale is concerned—is not Cravat at 122, five under, but C. Andrade III's Liberty Franc, now a 2-year-old.

Two Under Scale

Liberty Franc, as a 3-year-old, will have to carry 104, 2 pounds under the scale, if he is trained for the Santa Anita. Stagehand, when he won in 1938, got in at 100 because he had no record as a 2-year-old, had never won a race at the time the weights for the $100,000 race were released. Liberty Franc has a record, including a good second to Merry Knight over a distance of ground. Other 2-year-olds that class above Cravat on the scale are Big Ben at 102 and Little Cartago at 102.

Our forebears of the turf fashioned the weight scale many, many years ago, and it has been used as a Bible so long that it is rarely questioned. Challedon (120) defeated Kayak II (126) at Pimlico last November, but that was the weight scale for 3 and 4-year-olds, respectively, and horsemen never considered Challedon had any bulge in the weights.

Included in the first 10 high weights of the race are Ra II and Beautiful II, Argentines belonging to Binglin Stable and Louis B. Mayer, respectively. Ra II was assigned 118 and Beautiful II 114, which probably will lure them from winter quarters at Aiken, S. C.

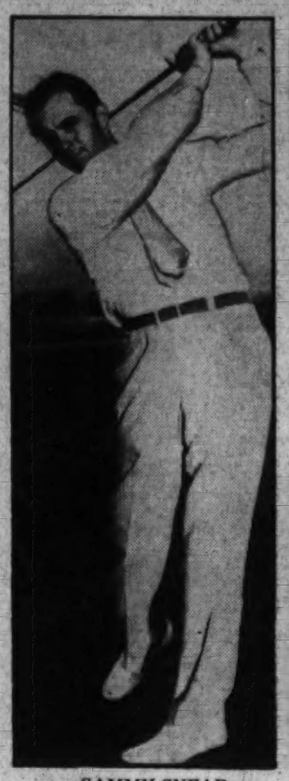
A. C. T. Stock Farm's Whichcee, which finished second to Kayak II in the last Santa Anita, is upped from 112 to 114 pounds, while Specify, which finished fourth, gets 116, up one pound. This is explained by the fact that Specify raced well at Hollywood last summer; Whichcee performed poorly.

Kayak's II's victory in the last Santa Anita, his triumph in the $50,000 Hollywood Gold Cup and his record-smashing race in the Bowie just last month were the main factors in Everett's weighting him even on the scale with Challedon.

Club House Burns

Danuville, Va., Dec. 24 (AP).—Fire destroyed the Danville Golf Club Building at Sokesland today about 5 a. m. The loss was estimated at about $20,000. Its origin was unknown.

Youngsters, Surprise Champs, Dominate Year's Golf Play



SAMMY SNEAD

HELEN DETTWEILER

Brownell, Bogart and Oliveri at the Top; Miss Dettweiler, Spencer, Mrs. Walper News

By Merrell W. Whittlesey

Old Man 1939 wasn't particularly outstanding on the District golf calendar. There were new champions, and old, but all in all about the same old faces. Youngsters Bobby Brownell, Ralph Bogart and Andy Oliveri dominated amateur and public links golf, respectively. Mrs. Leo Walper and Mrs. Walter Stokes shared the women's honors. Cliff Spencer won the biggest pro tourney, with Wiffy Cox second but on other occasions Wiffy was kingpin whenever he stepped out.

Baltimoreans made off with the Maryland State men's, women's and open, Buddy Sharkey salvaging the junior to prevent a clean sweep. Local linksters kept the Middle Atlantic men's and women's with Baltimore copping the junior.

Brownell, Mrs. Betty Meckley, Marion Brown and Helen Dettweiler gained national recognition, headed by Miss Dettweiler's Women's Western Open triumph in her first start as a pro. The local pros stayed fairly close to home. Al Houghton won the Bedford Open but Leo Walper, Cliff Spencer, Lew Worsham, Mel Shorey and Cox didn't get out of the small change bracket in scattered big-time appearance.

Indian Spring Gone

The city faces the new year with one less tournament golf course. Indian Spring's demotion to building sites was the biggest blow to golf here in some time. National Women's Club, under new management, is on the way to an 18-hole course.

The pro changes were few, in comparison to a big shift in 1938. Al Houghton returned to free-lancing and automobile selling after resigning at Old Point Comfort. Lew Worsham went from assistant pro at Chevy Chase to head man at Burning Tree. Jocko Miller, for-

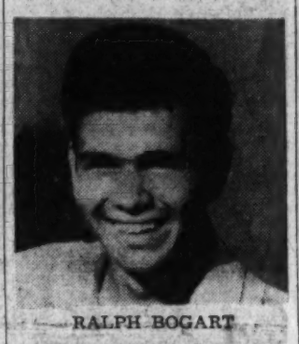
BOB BROWNELL

mer amateur boxer of note, took over at National Women's. Danny Burton transferred from Army and Navy to Quantico. Tommy Doerer, jr., East Potomac manager, entered the paid ranks.

Big shots were a dime a dozen in visits to the Capital. One of the greatest rounds of golf ever played here in tournament competition was that 65 by Sammy Snead at Congressional in the National Open qualifying rounds. He was 74 in the morning, on the verge of non-qualification, and he came back like the great golfer he is. He and Ralph Guldahl played an exhibition the day before with Cox and Jimmy Thomson.

Byron Nelson and Henry Picard were here for the Middle Atlantic P. G. A. Open in an exhibition appearance. The tourney, by the way, was a success, another tribute to Al Houghton's promotorial genius. Freddie McLeod received a life-membership to the P. G. A., a gift of the local section and the first one ever awarded. National President George Jacobus was down for the presentation. And then Walter Hagen was around for a week or more, more. Craig Wood, Jimmyar3omcl Craig Wood, Jimmy Hines, Vic Ghezzi and Gene Sarazen dropped in to see Wiffy on trips North or South.

The early fall election season



RALPH BOGART

found Mrs. Robert A. Lacey up for another tearm as Women's District of Columbia Golf Association president. Ralph Beach was re-elected by the pros for another term as sectional head. Other golf association presidents elected were Harry Gallagher, Maryland State; Robert Stead, jr., Middle Atlantic, and O. B. Fitts, Greenkeepers.

The U. S. G. A. gave us a national championship within 40 miles when the public links was played in Baltimore. Andy Oliveri disappointed by stopping at the second round but the champion was a real golfer, Andy Szwedko, of Pittsburgh, who defeated Phil Gordon on the last hole at Mount Pleasant.

A new tournament was written into the books. The Grosner Middle Atlantic pro-amateur, that despite the strictly local field had a bang-up finish when Ralph Bogart knocked in that 68-foot putt on the final green to square the match for him and Lew Worsham, against Ed Oliver and Volney Burnett. Then Worsham dropped an 8-footer to win on the twenty-first.

Best men's team was at Indian Spring and the top women's line-up at Chevy Chase. District of Columbia Amateurs beat Baltimore's best and the juniors followed suit. The women golfers trounced the Monumental City 12 twice. But Philadelphia's top-notch women's team handed the local ladies a beating. The score need not be repeated.

Spencer Did Well

Cliff Spencer set a half-dozen course records, one when he won the Middle Atlantic P. G. A. Open with a 283 total at Columbia, including a 67. Claude Rippy won the Chevy Chase Invitation again. Ralph Bogart and Earle Skinker dominated the schoolboys. Roger Peacock won the Middle Atlantic in old-time style but lost in the finals of the State.

Albert MacKenzie was runner-up in the Trans-Mississippi seniors. The year also marked the retirement from competitive golf, due to illness, of one of his best friends and the city's finest golfers of all time, Miller B. Stevinson. Another veteran Columbian, Freddie McLeod, rested on his P. G. A. Senior's laurels.

Only out-of-town victory was Brownell's Suburan Invitation triumph. Dick Meyers went to the finals at Baltimore. Mrs. Meckley won at Shawnee but lost at White Face, N. Y.

Bogart brought youth back to the District of Columbia amateur championship. He and Brownell, along with Worsham and Miss Brown look like good bets for next year. Time marches on. Come on 1940!

Bill Bennings

At the Post

Selections at Tropical Park

Deaf Al:

I have had several inquiries as to the identity of the jockey I dubbed Joe in a recent column. In fact, one of the fair Benningites was so impressed that she offered to send the injured boy some money if informed who he was. The jockey in question cannot be helped now. He has gone to his reward. There are a number of interesting stories around the tracks. Giving the right names of the jockeys would get them in trouble. So let's call this boy Johnny. At one of the smaller tracks, Johnny was aboard a steed which needed plenty of whipping. He was going down the back stretch and had just sent his horse into the lead when he lost his whip. The horse, relieved of the sting of the pat, refused to extend himself and dropped back. As Johnny and his horse were sliding through the pack, he came side-by-side with a friend who was riding a longshot. Seeing his friend's horse was getting nowhere, Johnny shouted, "You ain't going to win yourself, how about lending me your whip?" The other boy obligingly handed Johnny the stick and the horse, again under punishment, moved up strongly and came on to win in a photo finish. The officials did not notice this but I have the word of both riders that it is true. Johnny's horse was a heavily-played favorite so I guess everybody was happy. Several times around the big tracks, I have seen jockeys give their agents or friends large sums of money to bet on their own horses and later I have heard these boys booed for pulling their horses. I know one jockey who will resolve on New Year never to tell another person about the chances of any horse. He has advised friends not to play horses which he rode and then, for some reason or another, the horses have won. He lost one good friend that way and says that in the future he will not answer any question regarding the chances of horses. That has been true in my case too. I have picked one horse and then gone to the track and heard a strong tip on another. I have passed this information along. If the horse wins the person I have told is so jubilant over winning that he doesn't even remember where the tip came from. If the horse I picked in the paper wins and he plays the other one, I'm a hell of the first water. As Bob Hope would say, "All right, so I ain't neat." BILL.

First race—Fight On may be the right one in the day's opener. Gets in light, and if the rider assigned can help, may get this one home. **Brierton** belongs with this kind and will be ready to crack down. **Swiftness** for the minor award.

Second race—Ten-O-Hearts gets in with a modest weight assignment and may use this race as a means of graduating from the maiden ranks. Roberts will do the saddle work and I'm going to string along. **Tonganoxie** should go well with this kind. **Tipcat** is a doubtful starter, but will need attention if in action.

Third race—I know you're to say that I'm trying to be poetic, but I like **Seed** and **Speed** in this event. Both have worked well and I prefer them in the order named. **Scout Azure** is a long shot possibility.

Fourth race—Roy T. is going to carry the Bennings support into this sprint and I'm expecting big things from him. If you like a price, then string along. **Roar** tossed us for a loss opening day, but can better that effort and is dangerous. **Modest Queen** may be third.

Fifth race—Remarkable will draw a lot of play in this sprint and will do a lot of running. Gets in light and I see no reason for mistakes. **Gridine** moves up a peg, but is as good as that last. **Chief Gamble** for the show end.

Sixth race—Perhaps she doesn't belong with some of the class horses listed for this event, but I have reason to believe she will be at her best. Therefore I'm going to pass along **Lady Infinite. Palamede** is the probable favorite and should be prominent. **False Point** to show.

Seventh race—I'm also coming up with a new one in this number. **Fore Isus** is a dainty morsel in this field, so I'm informed. **Billy Van Nuys** and **Mobcap** to battle it out for the place and show.

Eighth race—Sting Ray will carry little money on this trip but will pay a load if we can get him home. The clocker tells me to get down. **Sun Apollo** and **Goggles** to fill out the money bracket.

Substitute race—If this event is used, I'll take **Orient Express, Dreel** and **Hunting Home.**

Best bet—Remarkable.

Marlboro, Heurich Soccerists in Tie

Marlboro and Heurich clubs battled to a 1-1 tie yesterday in the opening second-half game of the Washington Soccer League, played at Marlboro. Heurichs were first-half champs of the league.

In other games, Sandy Spring beat Southern Maryland Democrats 2-1 on a penalty kick, and Silver Spring defeated La Plata, 5-0. The La Plata Club was handicapped by having only 9 players.

Washington Sport Club and Maryland Park played a 1-1 tie, at Maryland Park.

Tropical Park Entries With Marvel Ratings

FIRST RACE—Six furlongs; purse, $700; claiming; for 3-year-olds and upward.

No.	Horse	Jockey	Wt.	Odds	Rate
10	Light Cruiser	(Rosen)	113	20-1	318
11	Never Cease	(F. A. Smith)	110	10-1	312
12	Nadesn	(Clutter)	110	20-1	306
13	*Penabud	(Johnson)	108	8-1	324
14	Joe D.	(Wholey)	113	20-1	314
15	*Des Grieux	(Durando)	106	12-1	305
16	*Fight On	(Flinchum)	108	3-1	322
17	Grit and Grace	(Ryan)	113	20-1	322
18	Loloma	(Schmidl)	110	15-1	316
1	Lady Emison	(Balfuel)	110	12-1	317
2	Swiftness	(no boy)	114	5-1	318
3	Winged Victory	(J. Renick)	117	15-1	319
4	*Joaney B.	(Flinchum)	108	15-1	314
5	Phil Gouch	(Roberts)	112	20-1	305
6	Eva R.	(Rollins)	113	6-1	320
7	Fair	(Atkinson)	113	6-1	318
8	Low Cuts	(Robart)	116	8-1	314
9	*Brierton	(no boy)	111	4-1	322

SECOND RACE—Six furlongs; purse, $700; claiming; for 2-year-old maidens.

8	Shasta Mollie	(Robart)	108	20-1	...
9	Bell Helen	(Haas)	108	4-1	...
10	*Idle Playmate	(Wells)	103	20-1	...
11	Noodles	(Nash)	108	8-1	...
12	*Peter Porter	(R. Smith)	111	12-1	...
13	Petesar	(Mastranni)	111	10-1	...
14	Graeme Park	(Robertson)	115	10-1	...
15	Mountain Air	(Stevenson)	111	12-1	...
1	Ten-O-Hearts	(Roberts)	108	3-1	...
2	Shas	(J. Renick)	111	20-1	...
3	Sickle Simon	(Garner)	113	15-1	...
4	Miss Gallant	(Rosen)	111	12-1	...
5	*Steep	(Oliver)	103	15-1	...
6	Tonganoxie	(Ryan)	116	4-1	...
7	Tipcat	(Arcaro)	116	2-1	...

THIRD RACE—Mile and 70 yards; purse, $700; claiming; for 3-year-olds and upward.

6	*Naughty	(Flinchum)	108	4-1	323
7	Our Laddie	(Stevenson)	112	6-1	315
8	*Chameleon	(Packer)	107	20-1	316
9	Wise Will	(Bodiou)	116	12-1	319
10	*Scout Azure	(Wells)	111	20-1	321
1	Count Maurice	(Roberts)	116	4-1	328
2	*Chulib	(Packer)	107	10-1	319
3	Seed	(Ashcroft)	116	4-1	319
4	Speed	(Arcaro)	116	3-1	321
5	Peaceful	(Atkinson)	113	15-1	315

FOURTH RACE—Six furlongs; purse, $800; claiming; the Holly Wreath; for 3-year-olds and upward.

6	Risenfy	(Garner)	110	6-1	327
7	Roar	(Robertson)	115	6-1	131
8	Radio Gold	(Maizan)	108	20-1	328
9	Repeller	(Bodiou)	106	20-1	328
10	*Modest Queen	(Packer)	102	3-1	327
11	*Dark Beau	(Winn)	105	15-1	330
1	Winning Chance	(May)	115	8-1	330
2	Roy T.	(R. W. Smith)	107	3-2	327
3	Calumet Red	(Haas)	108	8-1	319
4	Praetorian	(Berger)	108	20-1	326
5	Time Please	(Roberts)	113	15-1	323

FIFTH RACE—Six furlongs; purse, $1,200; allowances; the Christmas; for 3-year-olds and upward.

7	Indian Lodge	(Arcaro)	116	10-1	334
8	Brown Moth	(Haas)	116	20-1	323
9	Cardinalia	(Berger)	111	6-1	335
10	Ambrose Light	(Wright)	116	10-1	330
11	Temulac	(no boy)	111	6-1	317
12	Generalis	(Roberts)	114	20-1	327
1	Forfend	(J. Renick)	111	15-1	324
2	Royal Blue	(Stevenson)	116	10-1	330
3	*Chief Gamble	(R. Smith)	109	6-1	326
4	Tuscross	(Anderson)	114	10-1	319
5	Gridine	(Johnson)	114	4-1	315
6	*Remarkable	(Packer)	108	3-1	334

SIXTH RACE—One and one-sixteenth miles; purse, $800; claiming; for 3-year-olds and upward.

4	Hadnogal	(Robertson)	111	6-1	320
5	*Lady Infinite	(Wells)	107	10-1	329
6	False Point	(Arcaro)	112	2-1	329
1	Palamede	(McCombs)	115	8-5	335
2	Show Up	(Clutter)	115	8-1	328
3	*Marching Feet	(F'hum)	107	12-1	310

SEVENTH RACE—Mile and 70 yards; purse, $700; claiming; for 3-year-olds and upward.

6	Pekaki	(Schmidl)	109	12-1	321
7	*Cuckoo	(Caffarella)	111	5-1	323
8	Your Buddy	(Yarberry)	116	20-1	318
9	Bertillon	(Robart)	116	12-1	321
10	*Aglow	(Wells)	108	4-1	324
1	*Mobcap	(Winn)	108	8-1	322
2	Billy Van Nuys	(Arcaro)	116	5-1	324
3	Fore Isus	(no boy)	113	3-1	322
4	*Deduce	(Packer)	111	10-1	327
5	*Highminded Flinchum)		108	15-1	323

EIGHTH RACE—Mile and 70 yards; purse, $700; claiming; for 3-year-olds and upward.

10	Top Notcher	(Quintero)	113	15-1	321
11	Josh	(Wells)	113	6-1	322
12	Sun Apollo	(Wholey)	113	3-1	318
13	*Parity	(Wells)	116	12-1	312
14	*Red Rogue	(Packer)	108	4-1	323
15	Goggles	(Schmidl)	116	20-1	318
16	Dunlad	(Ryan)	109	20-1	310
17	Sir Reg	(Donoso)	116	4-1	320
18	*Sweet Showno	(R. Smith)	106	10-1	313
1	Sting Ray	(Robart)	112	20-1	324
2	*Bonny Clabber	(F'chum)	108	8-1	320
3	Maeflest	(Roberts)	116	20-1	321
4	*Blanco Sweep	(Everiole)	104	20-1	310
5	*Julius Caesar	(Smith)	111	10-1	315
6	Gold Cross	(Yarberry)	113	12-1	317
7	Wayaloft	(Atkinson)	113	20-1	311
8	Wulfstan	(May)	113	12-1	316
9	Gipsy Dance	(Lanion)	113	20-1	310

NINTH RACE (substitute)—Six furlongs; purse, $700; claiming; for 3-year-olds and upward.

10	*Headin Home	(Flynn)	108	3-1	325
1	Orient Express	(McCombs)	116	6-1	324
12	*Pretty Busy	(Wells)	105	20-1	316
13	Depthbomb	(Wholey)	113	20-1	315
14	Many Flags	(Robertson)	114	12-1	320
15	*Chispa	(R. W. Smith)	105	20-1	312
16	Sally T.	(LeBlanc)	111	6-1	317
17	Parvin	(Eccard)	113	12-1	308
18	Hunting Home	(Eccard)	116	5-1	321
1	Salavina	(Schmidl)	110	20-1	314
2	Drifting Home	(Winn)	111	5-1	309
3	*Fair So	(Durando)	105	15-1	314
4	*Miss Hildur	(Harrell)	103	15-1	319
5	Dreel	(Atkinson)	113	6-	325
6	Play Gold	(Anderson)	116	6-1	327
7	Crack All	(Seabo)	113	12-1	315
8	Sunabell	(Robart)	111	20-1	317
9	Col. Scott	(Schmidl)	114	10-1	318

*Apprentice allowance claimed.

Weather, clear; track, fast.

Fair Grounds

Entries

By the Associated Press

FIRST RACE—One and one-eighth miles; purse, $700; claiming; for 3-year-olds and upward.

6	Fancy That	113	2	Cynical	106
7	Rembrandt	112	3	Rowes Crump	113
8	Br'ndon Prince	113	4	Fortunus	113
9	*Margo G.	105	5	*Shuchor	101
1	Merry Freda	105			

SECOND RACE—Six furlongs; purse, $800; claiming; for 2-year-olds.

10	Scotty B.	110	1	Paradise Girl	107
11	*Eighty Jack	102	2	Pops Rival	113
12	*Buss	102	3	*Malayan	111
13	*Dara Day	99	4	Bull Anne	113
14	Gay Khan	110	5	*Kickory	102
15	*Simmer	105	6	*Lolly Bane	99
16	Indian Penny	110	7	Wale Signal	104
17	*Dana Folly	102	8	*Gay Sallie	105
18	*Swift Singer	99	9	Shakertown	110

THIRD RACE—Six furlongs; purse, $600; claiming; for 3-year-olds and upward.

10	*Idle Worker	108	1	*Rhett	108
11	*D.D.M'Carty	108	2	*Wild Love	105
12	*Cream Ch'se	103	3	Miss Oak	110
13	*Stormy Sea	108	4	Ducmiss	110
14	N'losa Donna	108	5	*Flush	108
15	Exch'nge Club	113	6	*Imperial Lu	105
16	In the Shade	111	7	*Willow Wand	105
17	Sh'ting Scout	111	8	*Bright Land	108
18	*Dan Skilling	108	9	Phil Wright	111

FOURTH RACE—One mile and 70 yards; purse, $600; claiming; for 3-year-olds.

11	*Carlade	104	1	Conbee	109
12	Golden Shoe	109	2	*Bl'dom Queen	104
13	*Turren	107	3	Lees Count	112
14	*Shot Tower	104	4	*Merry Saxon	104
15	Ona Girl	109	5	Ajaygee	112
16	Snug	109	6	*Grapevine	104
17	*Mr Great	104	7	Kease	112
18	*Booter Mc	107	8	Macwhisk	112
19	Sam K.	112	9	*Ethlyn	114
20	Half Shoes	112	10	*Dustless	112

FIFTH RACE—One mile and 70 yards; purse, $600; claiming; for 3-year-olds and upward.

11	*K'nsascitian	107	3	*Bilkan	107
12	*Smith David	107	4	M'mory Chair	112
13	*Pal o' Sweep	107	5	*Bad Dreams	104
14	*Lucy	104	6	M'cap Yankee	109
15	*Neat Play	106	7	Inductor	112
16	Swap	112	8	*Stout Heart	107
17	*Op'ing Night	104	9	Labor Day	109
18	*Dusky Maid	104	10	*Big Mum	104
1	Mon Dolt	116	19	*Transfinn	99
2	Sleepalong	112	20	*Park City	107

SIXTH RACE—One and one-sixteenth miles; purse, $2,000 added; the Christmas Handicap; for all ages.

9	†Chance Ray	106	1	Jumping Jill	96
10	‡Knoxville	95	2	*Sarsazo	100
11	S'thland Beau	100	3	‡Teddy's Girl	98
12	Jubilargo	101	4	§Wkly Stipend	98
13	War Minstrel	117	5	Tom Rope	114
14	Supreme Sir	112	6	Waxwing	113
15	‡Br'n Knight	104	7	‡Be Jabbers	105
16	†Gray Jack	101	8	‡Upstream	107

†C. E. Davison entry.
‡H. M. Babylon entry.
§Mrs. E. Denemark entry.
¶W. F. Mannash and T. Powell entry.
R. A. Coward entry.

SEVENTH RACE—One and one-eighth miles; purse, $600; claiming; for 3-year-olds and upward.

10	Escolee	108	1	Eddie Gardner	111
11	*Hardware	106	2	High Man	115
12	*Lady Fliz	103	3	*Bullabong	105
13	*General Boy	110	4	Jane D.	108
14	*Arctic Star	106	5	Parrish Roach	112
15	*Ruffle Up	107	6	*Brill	107
16	Kuvera	115	7	*Son of Day	106
17	*Pomplit	107	8	Peter Pumpkin	111
18	Bold General	111	9	Rebel Yell	111

EIGHTH RACE (substitute)—Six furlongs; purse, $600; claiming; for 3-year-olds and upward.

10	*Ridiculous	103	1	*Imeblue	108
11	*Sir Scamp	106	2	Powder Box	108
12	Phalamo	113	3	*Black Noah	108
13	Buttons B.	103	4	*Legal Advice	108
14	Deep Rock	106	5	Old Fondo	113
15	*Clansmaid	103	6	*Techy	105
16	Smuggled In	117	7	*Granbury	108
17	Tireless Lady	110	8	Sir Blackie	113
18	Mario	113	9	Raymond	113

Weather, cloudy; track, fast.
*Apprentice allowance claimed.

FAIR GROUNDS

1—Brandon Prince, Fancy Tai, Fortunus.
2—Buss, Fop's Rival, Indian Penny.
3—Ducmiss, Cream Cheese, Rhett.
4—Booter Mc., Half Shoes, Carlade.
5—Mendoit, Inductor, Kansascitian.
6—War Minstrel, Waxwing, Tow Rope.
7—High Man, Arctic Star, Hardware.
8—Phalamo, Smuggled In, Deep Rock.
Best bet—War Minstrel.

Eagles Face Oriole Six Tomorrow

Locals Will Be Seeking 7th Straight Victory On the Home Ice

"Red" Mackenzie's fast-striding Washington Eagles will be seeking their seventh consecutive victory at Riverside Stadium and their ninth in 11 starts locally tomorrow night when they play host to the Baltimore Orioles in an Eastern Amateur Hockey League game at 8:30 o'clock.

The Eagles, following two early season defeats administered them by the Atlantic Sea Gulls and Toronto Canadians, have scored six consecutive victories on the home rink. In so doing they have featured an abundance of power by scoring a grand total of 43 points as against 16 for the opposition.

Six In a Row

Two victories over the New York Rovers, two over the Jersey Skeeters and one each over Atlantic City and Baltimore have been compiled since the locals last were beaten at Riverside. On the strength of this record they will rule a slight favorite over Baltimore again tomorrow night.

Tomorrow night's match should prove one of the most colorful of the season here. The Orioles, three-time conqueror of the New York Rovers, were runner-up to the Rovers and pressing hard for the leadership prior to being sidetracked by the Eagles and will be battling desperately to regain lost ground.

Lee Back in Action

Gordon Lee, 133-pound Washington goalie who was rested against River Vale last Friday night, will return to action tomorrow night. Lee has contributed mightily to Washington's victories over the Orioles thus far this season and has more than held his own with Omar elly, Baltimore's great goalie and shutout king of the Eastern League last season.

Hal Dewey, Roy Covert and Alan Kuntz, outstanding scorers, and Bill Davies, Len Burrage and Bill Cairns, fine defensive and team men of the Eagles, again will also have the spotlight.

Merrick Looks To 37th Birthday

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plater. In 205 starts from 1905 to 1915, inclusive, he finished in the money 125 times and won 61 races. His aggregate earnings were only $26,787, a mere drop in the old oats bucket these days.

However, in two seasons he didn't win a cent. One of those years, strangely enough, was as a 3-year-old, the period when a race horse normally is at his peak.

Improves With Age

Possessing stamina, mud-running ability and speed in his younger days, Merrick improved with age, turning in his best season as a 6-year-old, when he won 14 races. The gelding was strictly a sprinter, competing only once in an event as long as a mile.

The only mark to his running prowess still left today is the seven-eighths of a mile track record at Latonia, Ky., set in 1909. The time was 1:25 2-5.

Foaled at James B. Haggin's farm near Sacramento, Calif., in 1903, the son of imported Golden Carter—Bianca, Merrick was sold while a yearling for $2,500 to Newton Bennington. He passed through several hands before he became the property of Milam. The Kentuckian once lost Merrick in a claiming race, but shortly afterward reclaimed him.

After Merrick failed to win his third start of the 1915 season at Laurel (Md.) track, Milam retired him.

Blind in one eye, the "Old Man," as he is called by attendants, now whiles his declining years in equine comfort. His chief companions are an aged cat and an old dog.

Postgrad

By Jack Munhall

Dr. James Ruby, a genial little man of amazing energy who serves as secretary of Georgetown University's national alumni group when not busy with research work on Hoya athletics, has come up with a highly interesting review of Hilltop football.

MUNHALL

Among other significant things Dr. Ruby's findings indicate that Georgetown just recently completed its sixty-second and not its sixty-fifth season of intercollegiate varsity football. According to Dr. Ruby's 12-page booklet the varsity sport was discontinued for three years, 1895-1897, inclusive, because of the death of player George Bahen resulting from injuries received in an 1894 Thanksgiving Day game against Columbia A. C.

Dr. Ruby, who says it took him only four days and 40 hours' working time to compile what is the most complete record we've seen on Georgetown football, explains the booklet in his foreword, to wit:

"This record represents the only known compilation of Georgetown's football record from the beginnings of the game to the present day. The scores from 1898 to 1933 appear as they were published in Intercollegiate Football (Daubleday & Co., 1934) and the scores from 1874 to 1894 are taken from occasional accounts written for the Georgetown College Journal.

"Since the Journal is primarily a literary magazine, the accounts of sports appear with no regularity. However, even in the years for which I can list no records, passing references to games are noted in the Journal, proving that football was played at Georgetown each autumn from 1874 to 1894. [Only class games were played between 1894-1897.—Editor's note.]

"The names of members of the various squads are taken from accounts in the Journal and Hoya . . . they may not be complete. I will welcome any additions or corrections.

"I can discover no record of names of coaches prior to 1898, although references in the Journal indicate the presence of a coach or 'trainer' in 1876."

200 Booklets to Alumni

To date Dr. Ruby has sent out more than 200 booklets, mostly to alumni-football players and he says he has received but few letters of correction. One point of dispute between Dr. Ruby and former Hoya gridmen is the score of the 1913 Georgetown-Virginia game. Dr. Ruby maintains that according to his information Georgetown won 17-16. But Dr. William Cusack, star Hilltop end in 1913-14-15-16, contends it was Georgetown, 8; Virginia, 7.

Under items headed "Recapitulation" Dr. Ruby's booklet states that Georgetown has played 394 football games, winning 239, losing 126 and tying 29. Moreover Georgetown has scored more than double the points of its opposition, the count being 6,958 to 3,030.

Again, according to Dr. Ruby, the worst licking a Georgetown team ever absorbed was at Navy's hands in 1890. Washington College and Richmond were twin victims of Georgetown's greatest offensive performances, losing to the 1912 and 1920 Hoya elevens, respectively. Another merciless Georgetown team rolled up 80 points to none for Albright in 1916.

1916 Team Great Team

When speaking of Georgetown's greatest elevens you can't overlook that bunch of 1916, which, after losing to Navy, 13-7, in

News of Capital Night Clubs

During the temporary absence of Mary Harris, the night club column is conducted by guest writers.

By Osgood Roberts.
Publicity Director of the Mayflower Hotel.

Anyone who has been an "old newspaper man himself" knows the large number of people you meet who apparently know a far better way of publishing your newspaper. In the theatrical world, too, roam untold first-nighters who imagine themselves really Barrymores on reserve call.

The public entertainment field has its corps of volunteer advisers. Scratch a martini imbiber most anywhere and you are pretty liable to find the guy who knows "what would put this room over."

Successful is that management which listens to suggestions. Be smug and prepare to close up shop. Still, one wonders just what manner of place the Mayflower Lounge would be if we had carried out all of the suggestions showered upon us by a cosmopolitan public.

If there were a little more originality in the ideas, perhaps we would seriously consider ripping out band stands, hanging balconies, putting bars on wheels, and the thousand and one other ideas that we have heard since the old Palm Court was transformed into the Mayflower Lounge.

The stock suggestion is something like this:

"I saw the most wonderful trapeze performer the other night in New York. You ought to get him. He would really put this place over."

When Major Bowes and all his amateurs were giving way to that basic human urge referred to in our first paragraph, suggestions were most plentiful that we have an amateur hour. Handwriting experts, caricaturists, mind-reading acts. They all seem to want to hold forth in the lounge. We've had a time holding out against the pressure.

What few people realize is that in fostering a particular entertainer they are interpreting in the light of their personal experience, without regard to basic entertainment factors, which are not transplantable. The setting, the company make a memorable evening.

From the Lounge's opening day on Easter Monday afternoon in 1934 we have followed the same general entertainment policy. We were told by some that it was a mistake to open even a cocktail room in the afternoon. Still, some 3,000 people attended, and tables were placed not only outside the Lounge, but almost the length of the Promenade. Sidney's Mayflower Lounge Orchestra has changed in personnel and to the extent of keeping abreast of current styles of playing dance music.

Although we have not seen fit to follow the suggestion of one gentleman who was strong for a dog and pony show, in our short span our public has ordered nearly as many Manhattans as Margaret Mitchell has sold copies of "Gone With the Wind."

WHERE TO GO

Anchor Room. That "nautical but nice" atmosphere plus smart accordioning by Matt Windsor.

Bill Downer, who leads his 12-man band at the Nightingale

Brown Derby. Fun in the giddy style. Al Simmonds and George Berg officiating as chief clowns.

Cafe Caprice. Dancing to the music of Eddy Whitesels Rhythmaires in the evening. Solo accordioning by Eddy at the afternoon cocktail session.

Dick's Grill. Fine substantial food and quiet atmosphere. Popular Dick Ashby is the proprietor.

Hall's. One of Washington's historic eating places. In business since 1885. Seafood is their specialty.

Hi Hat. Jack Manning's "Strings of Romance" play for afternoon cocktails and at the supper hour. Singer, Carmela Lazzeri.

King Cole Room. Songs by Arthur Todd and Evelyn Knight. An attractive spot in the intimate style.

Lotus. Handsome floor show at luncheon, dinner and supper sessions. Dance music by Bill Strickland's Dixielanders. Chinese and American food.

Lounge Riviera. Polished supper dance spot much favored by young society crowd. Dance music by Pete Macias orchestra. Singer, Adele Van.

Madrillon. Dinner and supper dancing to Carr and Don's orchestra. Adelita and Juanito entertain at the cocktail hour. Arsenio Ralon's Trio at luncheon.

Mayfair. Lyle Smith's Trio and Singer Helen Reilly entertain at both the afternoon cocktail hour and later in the evening.

Mayflower Lounge. Dance music at both the afternoon cocktail hour and supper dance session by Dick Koons' Glee Club orchestra. Harp and violin music at luncheon.

Metronome Room. Supper dancing to the rhythms of Eddy Brandt's orchestra. Songs by Phyllis Starr.

Neptune Room. Continuous entertainment during both afternoon and evening by Singer Bert Granoff, Organist Glen Hardman and Gracie Shannon's Trio.

Pall Mall Room. Dinner and supper dancing to Bert Bernath's orchestra. Guitar specialties by La Paloma. Arthur Murray dance interlude every evening.

Rainbow Room. Dinner and supper dancing to Meyer Davis orchestra. Singer Lyde Swygert. Afternoon novachord concerts by Milton Davis.

Shar-Zad Room. Cocktail hour and supper dancing to Bill McCune's music. Singer Kay Hoyt.

Shoreham Blue Room. Handsome floor revues at 9:30 and 11:30 p. m. Dance music by the Lowe Shoreham Orchestra directed by Barnee.

Troika. Colorful Russian revues at 8:30 and midnight. Dance music by Sasha Lukas' orchestra.

SUBURBAN

Del Rio. Large and handsome spot. Dancing in the Fiesta Room to the music of Max Zinder's orchestra. Singer Nora Williams.

Fat Boy. Dance music by De Vaughn Clements' orchestra. Songs by Gene Power.

Gay Nineties. Continuous entertainment. Dance music by "Puss" Chase's orchestra.

Knotty Pine Tavern. Saturday evening dancing to Ray King's band. Square dance parties on Friday eves.

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King, De Valera, War Reporters to Broadcast Today

Christmas will bring King George VI of Great Britain, Eamon de Valera, premier of Ireland; the annual Yuletide program of the British Empire, and a reunion of war correspondents to Washington today—via radio.

Here is the schedule of the principal Christmas network programs to be heard in the Capital:

9:15 a. m., Christmas in the British Empire, WOL; 10 a. m., a message from London from King George, WJSV; noon, war correspondents talk with the folks back home, WMAL; 3:35 p. m., De Valera, from Dublin, WJSV; 4 p. m., Christmas on the war fronts, WJSV; 9 p. m., an hour-long Christmas broadcast from Chicago, featuring Grace Moore, WOL.

James Wilkins Dies in Florida . . .

James Howard Wilkins, 65, retired employe of the Government Printing Office, died yesterday at West Palm Beach, Fla., where he made his winter home.

Born in Baltimore November 3, 1874, Mr. Wilkins had lived in Washington 33 years until his retirement eight years ago. Since then he lived at Galesville, Md., and West Palm Beach. He was a member of the International Typographical Union and Hope Lodge of Masons.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Berthe Wilkins, and a daughter, Mrs. Mildred L. Arrison.

Uruguay Sends League Pledge to Aid Finns

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Montevideo, Dec. 24.—Uruguay today sent a cable to the Secretary General of the League of Nations pledging heartiest support for the League's project to offer effective assistance to Finland.

The note says that within the lines of Uruguay's material resources and its geographical situation, the government is willing to work out with the League's technical advisers the best form in which Uruguay may assist.

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Lincoln Brigade Veterans Assail Aid for Finland

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New York, Dec. 24.—The third annual convention of the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, a group of Americans who fought with the loyalists in Spain, closed today with the adoption of a resolution condemning "the people who prate about the rights of small nations and about the Soviet Union, because she is wiping out an imperialist base for aggression."

Similarly attacked by the group was Herbert Hoover, who, "under the guise of helping Finland, is setting up for himself another Belgium, a starting point for personal gain."

A portion of the resolution devoted itself to a condemnation of the American press for "giving support to war mongers of this country in their war-inciting editorials." Further, it declared "not one American hand should be raised to help Hitler, Chamberlain or Daladier." Greetings were sent to "the heroic People's government in Finland and its leader, Kuusinen, and best wishes for its speedy victory."

Banker's Mother To Be 100 Tomorrow

Winchester, Va., Dec. 24.—Mrs. Abbie Fay, mother of Logan R. Fay, Frederick County banker, will celebrate her one-hundredth birthday Tuesday.

Despite her age Mrs. Fay visits the city regularly, coming from the "Hackwood" estate of her son by auto. She reads her daily newspapers, and voted in the hotly-contested Democratic primary last summer.

Phone Office Burns, Delays Chatham Calls

Chatham, Va., Dec. 24 (AP).—The Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co.'s central office building burned here at 5 a. m. today, disrupting communication for the town of Chatham and surrounding area.

The telephone company set up an emergency line to the Chatham Hotel and arranged to have messengers notify residents of calls. Officials said they expected normal service by Monday night.

Winchester Club To Feed All Needy

Winchester, Va., Dec. 24.—Every deserving needy family in Frederick County and Winchester will be given a real Christmas dinner. The Fellowship Club announced that the "no-more-needed" sign is out as the result of a last-minute appeal for funds to make purchases for Christmas baskets.

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Financial News

Jobless Cash Of U. S. Banks Dims Outlook

Private Enterprise Still Reluctant to Dip Into Golden Credit Pool

By Frederick Gardner
Associated Press Financial Writer.

New York, Dec. 24.—The golden gleam of a vast idle money hoard colors Wall Street appraisals of 1940.

Federal Reserve authorities gently have begun to retard accumulation of unemployed credit in the banking system by reducing reserve bank holdings of Government securities.

As the Reserve banks sell to member bank and other purchasers, the effect is to cut the supply of credit in the open market.

New Peak Expected

Nevertheless, some banking students expect the New Year to bring another peak in idle credit dollars for three major reasons:

1. A heavy inflow of gold from abroad continues despite the war and European embargoes on shipment of liquid capital to the United States.

2. Washington reports indicate Federal spending and borrowing may remain high for another year at least.

3. The usual return flow of currency to banks in January following the holiday shopping expansion in money circulation increases credit reserves.

A considerable rise in currency outstanding this year and a modest upturn in business credit demand were more than offset by the huge shift of gold from Europe.

The effect was evident in net addition of some $2,000,000,000 to the visible supply of idle dollars—the so-called "excess reserves" in the Federal Reserve System.

Five Billion Credit Base

The reserve surplus, theoretically a base for expansion of bank loans and investments, topped $5,000,000,000, surpassing anything previously recorded.

Pressure of the credit surplus has kept open-market cost of borrowing money extremely low. United States Government securities, rated the most sensitive reflectors of the money market, largely have regained their losses in the September war break.

Despite temptation to take advantage of the situation, business still shies from the money market, restricting borrowings chiefly to funds for repayment of old debts and for short-term needs.

The United States Treasury and Federal agencies again overshadowed private borrowers in the 1939 money market. With heavier defense spending joining long-range New Deal lend-spend plans, banking observers can't detect any nearby prospect of a change.

Paradox of Recovery

One of the striking paradoxes of the 1939 business comeback, raising leading industrial barometers to the highest levels in ten years, was the disproportionate expansion in idle money. Both in security markets and business generally, use of bank credit remained small compared with previous boom years.

Corporations financed plant expansion largely out of their own resources or by borrowing directly from insurance companies. In November, with indices of production approaching 1929 levels, less than 5 per cent of the $114,000,000 in new securities registered with the SEC was for additional capital, bond circles noted.

Government borrowers had the market pretty much to themselves and benefited from the war-frightened influx of gold through low money rates. Treasury use of the increasing credit base in turn was evidenced by soaring bank deposits as money spent by Washington showed up in deposit accounts of corporations, individuals and others at the receiving end.

Street Blames New Deal

The closing days of 1939 find Wall Street and Washington still at odds over the whole spend-lend cycle.

Wall Street critics of New Deal spending blame Washington's policies in part for the reluctance of private enterprise to dip into the golden credit pool. Supporters of Government spending, on the other hand, argue Washington must dish the dollars out as long as industry fails to do it. Others think the problem ties in with the muddled economics of a war-ridden world.

Meanwhile, business has come to the end of 1939 with industry holding around the best levels of the autumn upsurge. There were indications last week of a year-end slow-down but they were hidden behind a final splurge of Christmas shopping. Security markets, however, continued to coast along a quiet course.

Funeral Tomorrow For Mrs. Mary Moon

Interment services for Mrs. Mary Rita Moon, 77, widow of Lieut. Col. Henry B. Moon, who died December 21 in Baltimore, will be at 1:30 p. m. tomorrow in Arlington Cemetery.

Mrs. Moon is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Frances M. Eastman, of Baltimore, and Mrs. Lillian Hovey-King, of New Orleans; and a son, Harry A. Moon, of New York.

De Pinna, Fifth Avenue Merchant, Dies at 66

New York, Dec. 24 (AP).—Leo S. De Pinna, 66, son of the founder of the 54-year-old Fifth avenue apparel shop bearing the family name and himself connected with the firm for 45 years, died last night.

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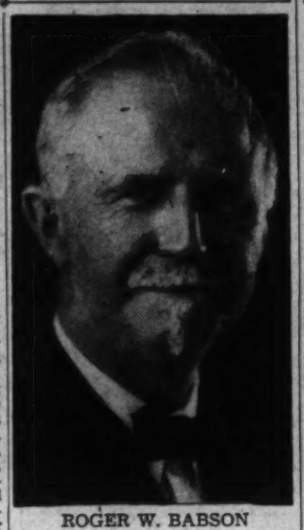
U. S. Business Best in Decade, But War Casts Pall on Cheering

Americans More Worried Than During Dark Days of 1932-33, Says Babson, Despite Long Strides Toward Prosperity in Past 12 Months

By Roger W. Babson

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 24.—Christmas, 1939, finds a busier America and a gloomier Europe than Yuletide of a year ago. Business is better in the United States and Canada; workers' pay envelopes are fatter; farmers' income is higher; investors' dividend checks are bigger. While millions are still jobless, we have taken long strides toward prosperity in the past 12 months. Abroad, the year's events may add nothing to the Christmas spirit this week-end, but here in America we can look back on 1939 as a period of rapid recovery.

With the lid virtually nailed on 1939, business has scored a 12-month gain of 19.5 per cent. This compares with my forecast of a 20 per cent advance. When business stepped up to the 1939 springboard last January, the Babsonchart Index was hovering around 100. The year had hardly gotten under way, however, before Hitler started the pot boiling in Europe and uncertainty brewing in America. As a result, activity gradually drifted lower, hitting the year's bottom, 94.7 in May. Yet it averaged 20 per cent above the same months of 1938. This was not far from my forecast of a 25 per cent gain for the first half.



ROGER W. BABSON

New Ten-Year High

The decline was under control by May and there was a steady, healthy improvement as summer worked along. By Labor Day, just as the first German bomb fell on Poland, business had worked back to the January level. Then the war touched off one of the most spectacular upswings in history. Week after week giant industries, such as steel, autos, textile, lumber, power and railroads, reported record-breaking business. By the end of September the Babsonchart Index had rolled up to 105. October saw it push on to 110, November, to 114. Now, Christmas trade has driven it up to 116 this week-end—the highest figure in ten long years.

Nearly every mill, factory, shop, office and store in the country has shared in this burst of business. Steel and automobile workers, building tradesmen, lumberjacks, railroad men, textile workers, metal fabricators, have all done well. Machine toolers, shipbuilders and aviation mechanics have enjoyed a boom. Salesmen and store people can look back on 1939 as an above-average year. Farmers have broken even with 1938, considering the country as a whole. The dark spots on the agricultural map are certain drought-parched areas of the West where crops and income have dropped to the lowest level in four years.

Some Lines in Doldrums

Only in the financial, insurance, real estate and newspaper fields has 1939 brought little to cheer about. Brokers have suffered as security transactions (not prices) plummeted to the lowest level since 1923. Insurance and real estate salesmen have had lean pickings. Newspaper advertising has just about matched 1938, while publishing costs have moved on to new highs. Profit margins in some other lines have not been so big formerly and competition is keener today than ever before. As a result, many individual businesses have done poorly. But remember, even in 1929 one-third of all businesses were in the red!

Nearly 2,000,000 new workers have found jobs. Wages and salaries have bene steady to higher. There have been about 1,700 strikes compared with 1,000 last year, but only the soft coal and Chrysler tieups were nationally serious. Living costs have inched up, but less than 5 per cent. Dividend checks have nearly doubled. There is more cash in the average farmer's pocket. Real estate—both city and farm—is a shade better in price, although taxes have again bene increased. Rents have been stable. All in all, it has been a good year for most people in America.

Few Cheers Heard

Last January, I predicted in The Washington Post that "business by the end of 1939 would be as good as—perhaps even better than—at any year-end since 1929. Business is better than at any year-end since 1929; but there is little cheering about it. Many people are blue today than a year ago. Relief rolls are just as long as ever. Employers fear the industrial rise is merely a war boom. Workers are worried about higher living costs. Business men, big and little, are frightened to death of taxes and a third term for Mr. Roosevelt. Meanwhile, every one is afraid that we will be drawn into the war.

So the curtain is about to fall on a strange year; business best in a decade, but people more worried than during the dark days of 1932-33.

It is Christmas week-end. That means it is no time to launch into a deep discussion of our troubles. My message today is simply that 1939 has been a good year and that nearly every American is better off today than a year ago. Moreover, I want to assure readers that we have nothing to fear in early 1940 either from a business depression or from any entanglement in the European war. Lastly, I want to join with every reader in a deep and fervent prayer that Christmas of 1940 will find "peace on earth and good will toward men" in all lands and among all peoples! If we all do our part, this prayer will be fulfilled.

U. S. Markets to Reopen Tomorrow for Trading

New York, Dec. 24 (AP).—Security and commodity exchanges throughout the world will be closed Monday, Christmas Day.

Tomorrow, Tuesday, Great Britain will observe "Boxing Day" and all British markets will be closed.

Canadian markets, excepting the Toronto Stock Exchange, will also remain closed Tuesday.

Garner to Spend Christmas at Home

Uvalde, Tex., Dec. 24 (U.P.).—Vice President John Nance Garner, who announced a week ago that he was a candidate for President and then went out to hunt deer, said tonight he was going to spend a quiet Christmas.

"I'm going to stay home and read the papers," he said.

D. C. Securities

(By Johnston, Lemon & Co.)

Closing bid and asked quotations on Washington securities which are traded over the counter follow:

	Bid	Asked
Bonds		
Barber & Ross deb 4s, 1945	94	.....
City Club 1st 6s	45	.....
Cons Country Club 2d 6s, '48	30	40
Consolidated Title 6s, 1951	100	.....
Lenox Building 6½s	40	52
Lotus Building 5½% notes	69	78
Mayflower Hotel 1st 5s, 1950	87	92
N P Bldg 1st 3s-5s, '50, ex int	71	76
Nat Pr Bldg adj inc 4½s, '50	13	.....
Racquet Club 1st 5s, 1945	47	53
Shoreham Hotel 2d 4s, 1944	85	95
Wash Auditorium 1st 6s, 1944	74	80
Wash Properties 7s, 1952	61	66
Stocks		
American Co pf	85	.....
American Co com	12	14
Anacostia Bank	160	.....
Anacostia Finance	⅛	.....
Arcade Co	60	.....
Barber & Ross, pf (new)	15	.....
Barber & Ross "B" com	2½	.....
Capitol Park Hotel	30	50
City Bank	24½	.....
Columbia National Bank	192½	205
Consolidated Title pf	43½	52
Consolidated Title com	7	10
District Nat Securities Co pf	25¼	.....
East Washington Savings Bk	14	.....
Fidelity Storage	107½	.....
Julius Garfinckel Co pf	25¼	27
Julius Garfinckel Co com	10	11
Griffith-Consumers pf	104	.....
Griffith-Consumers com	47	52
Hamilton National Bank	31	33
International Finance Units	13¾	.....
Lincoln Hall Association	80	95
Mer Trans & Stor pf	17	.....
Mer Trans & Stor com	¾	60c
Munsey Trust	80	.....
National Capital Insurance	14	.....
Nat Mtge Inv com	10c	.....
National Metropolitan Bank	240	252
Raleigh Hotel com	12	16
Real Estate Mtge & Guar com	1¾	.....
Second National Bank	66½	.....
Security Savings & Com'l	160	175
Southern Oxygen com (new)	32	.....
Union Finance Units	26	.....
Union Trust	75	80
Washington Baseball Club	40	50
Wash Convention Hall pf	88	.....
Wash Convention Hall com	15	.....
Wash Properties v t c	3¼	4½
Washington Sanitary Housing	109	.....
Washington Sanitary Improve	20½	.....
Wash Twy & Esl part units	18½	30½

The Weather

Today's Sun and Tide Table

	A.M.	P.M.
Sun rises.. 7:25	High tide.. 6:53	7:17
Sun sets.. 4:51	Low tide.. 1:35	1:36

Weather Conditions

U. S. Dept. Agriculture—Weather Bureau. Washington, D. C., Sunday—7:30 P. M.

Forecasts

For District of Columbia—Fair, continued cold Monday; Tuesday increasing cloudiness; fresh northwest winds.

For Maryland and Virginia—Fair, continued cold Monday; Tuesday increasing cloudiness.

The disturbance that was over western Tennessee Saturday night has advanced rapidly eastward, being central about 500 miles east of Cape Hatteras, with lowest pressure about 995.9 millibars (29.41 inches). Pressure is falling rapidly over lower Lake region and the North Atlantic States. Eastport, Me., 1,000.0 millibars (29.53 inches). Another disturbance is central over Arizona, Flagstaff, 1,008.5 millibars (29.78 inches). A high-pressure area is moving slowly eastward over the northern Plains States and Minnesota. Fargo, N. Dak., 1,030.1 millibars (30.42 inches), with a wedge extending southward to Texas.

Local Weather Report

Temperature—Midnight, 34; 2 a. m., 33; 4 a. m., 31; 6 a. m., 28; 8 a. m., 25; 10 a. m., 24; 12 noon, 27; 2 p. m., 29; 4 p. m., 32; 6 p. m., 29; 8 p. m., 28; 10 p. m., 28.

Relative humidity—7:30 a. m., 55; 1:30 p. m., 41; 7:30 p. m., 41. Rainfall (7:30 p. m. to 7:30 p. m.), none. Hours of sunshine, 6.5. Per cent of possible sunshine, 70.

Departures From Normal

Accumulated excess of temperature since January 1, 1939, 105.7 degrees.

Excess of temperature since December 1, 1939, 133 degrees.

Accumulated deficiency of precipitation since January 1, 1939, 1.35 inches.

Deficiency of precipitation since December 1, 1939, 0.85 inch.

Temperatures and Precipitation

Temperatures and precipitation during 24 hours ended 7:30 p. m. Sunday:

	Highest Sun.	Lowest Sun. night	Sat. 7:30 p.m.	Rainfall
Washington, D. C.	32	26	29	....
Asheville, N. C.	39	33	32	0.10
Atlanta, Ga.	44	35	43	0.80
Atlantic City, N. J.	34	24	27	....
Baltimore, Md.	31	25	29	....
Birmingham, Ala.	44	44	40	0.16
Bismarck, N. Dak.	21	8	9	0.01
Boston, Mass.	28	17	21	....
Buffalo, N. Y.	25	11	28	....
Cheyenne, Wyo.	25	9	15	....
Chicago, Ill.	32	29	32	....
Cincinnati, Ohio	37	28	31	....
Cleveland, Ohio	33	22	29	....
Dallas, Tex.	42	35	41	....
Davenport, Iowa	38	25	33	....
Denver, Colo.	18	10	17	....
Des Moines, Iowa	38	24	33	....
Detroit, Mich.	32	20	27	....
Duluth, Minn.	31	17	28	....
El Paso, Tex.	48	35	43	....
Galveston, Tex.	54	44	49	....
Helena, Mont.	16	11	13	....
Huron, S. Dak.	27	21	25	0.01
Indianapolis, Ind.	34	23	23	....
Jacksonville, Fla.	67	60	49	0.18
Kansas City, Mo.	34	30	31	....
Little Rock, Ark.	43	39	38	0.01
Los Angeles, Calif.	63	47	60	....
Louisville, Ky.	32	28	21	0.61
Marquette, Mich.	32	19	28	....
Memphis, Tenn.	39	36	36	....

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BAKER. WILHELMINA R. On Saturday, December 23, 1939, at her home, 62 Rhode Island avenue northwest, WILHELMINA R. BAKER, devoted wife of the late Rev. I. O. Baker and mother of Miss A. Jeannette Baker, and Mrs. Newton H. Fairbanks, of Buffalo, N. Y. She is also survived by two granddaughters. Remains resting at the above address. Services will be held on Tuesday, December 26, at 2 p. m. at the Lutheran Church of the Atonement, North Capitol street and Rhode Island avenue northeast. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Interment Glenwood Cemetery.

BARTHOLOMAE. ROSA. On Sunday, December 24, 1939, at her residence, 1329 30th st. nw., ROSA BARTHOLOMAE, daughter of the late William and Emma Geobel Bartholomae. She is survived by a brother, William Bartholomae, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and four sisters, Mrs. Emma Miller, of New York; Mrs. Jennie L. White, and Mrs. Minnie T. Saunders, of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Elizabeth B. McAleer, of Daytona Beach, Fla. Remains resting at Birch's funeral home, 3034 M st. nw., where services will be held on Wednesday, December 27, at 2 p. m. Interment Prospect Hill Cemetery.

BLADEN. MARIA JANE. On Saturday, December 23, 1939, in her seventy-eighth year, MARIA JANE BLADEN. She leaves three daughters and five sons. Remains resting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ezekel Testemans, Spring Lake Park, Md. Services at Mateer's funeral home, 1936 No. Courthouse road, Arlington, Va., on Monday, December 25, at 11 a. m. Interment Chestnut Grove, Herndon, Va.

CIFALA. ANGELA. On Saturday, December 23, 1939, ANGELA CIFALA, beloved wife of the late John Cifala. Funeral from her late residence, 1924 First st. nw., on Tuesday, December 26, at 8:30 a. m. Requiem mass at St. Martin's Church at 9 a. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Mount Olivet Cemetery.

COX. OWEN A. Suddenly on Saturday, December 23, 1939, OWEN A. COX, beloved husband of Louisa Cox. He is survived by four sons. Services at Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., on Tuesday, December 26, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

FRANZONI. LULU A. On Friday, December 22, 1939, at the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, LULU A. FRANZONI, wife of the late Edwin L. Franzoni. Services at the S. H. Hines Co. funeral home, 2901 14th st. nw., on Tuesday, December 26, at 10 a. m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

FETNER. ROBERT EARL. On Saturday, December 23, 1939, ROBERT EARL FETNER, beloved husband of Lillian B. Fetner and father of Robert E., jr., and Biggs Fetner. Services at Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., on Wednesday, December 27, at 1 p. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Arlington National Cemetery.

GRUNER. WILLIAM OSCAR HUGO. On Saturday, December 23, 1939, at his residence, 2016 Tunlaw rd. nw., WILLIAM OSCAR HUGO GRUNER, father of William H. Guner, Mrs. A. Amson and Mrs. T. D. Stone. Remains resting at the Chambers Georgetown funeral home, 31st and M sts. nw., where funeral services will be held on Tuesday, December 26, at 11 a. m. Interment Washington National Cemetery.

HOLMES. LELAND L. On Saturday, December 23, 1939, at Norfolk, Va., LELAND L. HOLMES, beloved husband of Mary Webb Holmes and father of Leland L., jr., and Helen Garden Holmes. He is also survived by his mother, Mrs. Helen Lake Holmes. Remains resting at Hysong's funeral home, 1300 N st. nw., after 9 a. m. Tuesday, December 26. Masonic committal services will be held at the grave in Rock Creek Cemetery on Tuesday, December 26, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

HUNT. CORA PULLMAN. On Friday, December 22, 1939, at her residence, the Westchester Apts., CORA PULLMAN HUNT, beloved wife of Lieut. Comdr. Ralph Belle Hunt. Remains resting at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Herbert E. Martyn, 2814 34th st. nw. Funeral services at Fort Myer chapel, Fort Myer, Va., on Tuesday, December 26, at 11 a. m. Interment Arlington National Cemetery.

HALL. EDWARD M. On Saturday, December 23, 1939, at his residence, 1407 Kennedy st. nw., EDWARD M. HALL, beloved husband of Hattie B. Hall and father of Mrs. H. W. Barber and Mrs. E. H. Odell. Funeral services on Tuesday, December 26, at Calvary M. E. Church, Columbia rd. near 15th st., at 11 a. m. Interment Congressional Cemetery.

JONES. JOHN P. On Sunday, December 24, 1939, at his residence, 1235 H st. ne., JOHN P. JONES, beloved husband of Sadie Jones. He is also survived by three daughters, one son, one sister and four brothers. Funeral from the Chambers funeral home, 517 11th st. se., on Wednesday, December 27, at 3 p. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Washington National Cemetery. (Rocky Mount, N. C., papers, please copy.)

KEEFER. LOLA M. On Saturday, December 23, 1939, at Garfield Hospital, LOLA M. KEEFER, beloved wife of Charles M. Keefer and mother of Ralph C. and M. Webster. Funeral services from her late residence, 24 T st. nw., on Tuesday, December 26, at 2 p. m. Interment Glenwood Cemetery.

KEYS. THOMAS H. On Friday, December 22, 1939, at Georgetown Hospital, THOMAS H. KEYS, beloved husband of Mildred Keys (nee Grove) and son of Margaret and the late Peter W. Keys. He is also survived by two children, Martha and Richard Keys, and a brother, Harold L. Keys, of Salt Lake City, Utah. Remains resting at Birch's funeral home, 3034 M st. nw., where services will be held on Tuesday, December 26, at 10:30 a. m. Interment Rock Creek Cemetery.

LUMPKIN. LENA MARY. On Saturday, December 23, 1939, at Takoma Park Hospital, LENA MARY LUMPKIN, of Piney Point, Md. Funeral will leave the funeral home of William Reuben Pumphrey, 7005 Wisconsin ave., Bethesda, Md., Tuesday, December 26, at 8:30 a. m., thence to Valley Lee, St. Marys County, Md., where services will be held at Poplar Hill Church at 11 a. m. Interment Church Cemetery.

MARTORELLI. LORENZO. On Sunday, December 24, 1939, at his residence, 923 4th st. ne., LORENZO MARTORELLI, beloved husband of Anna Martorelli and father of Louise Martorelli. Funeral services at his late residence on Wednesday, December 27, at 8:30 a. m.; thence to Holy Rosary Church, where mass will be said at 9 a. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Mount Olivet Cemetery. Arrangements by William H. Sardo & Co.

MASSEY. CATHERINE A. Suddenly, on Sunday, December 24, 1939, at her residence, 126 C st. se., CATHERINE A. MASSEY (nee Curran), the beloved wife of Frank J. Massey and sister of the Rev. John A. Curran. Funeral from the above residence on Wednesday, December 27, at 9:30 a. m.; thence to St. Peter's Church, where mass will be offered at 10 a. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment St. Joseph's Cemetery, Martinsburg, W. Va.

PARKER. ANDREW LEE. On Saturday, December 23, 1939, at his residence, 3504 Harris st., Mount Rainier, Md., ANDREW LEE PARKER, husband of the late Augusta H. Parker. Funeral services at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lillian Bennett, 3821 Ivy st., Brentwood, Md., on Tuesday, December 26, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Fort Lincoln Cemetery. Services by Chambers, Riverdale funeral home.

MAHER. LIEUT. COL. EDWARD J. On Saturday, December 23, 1939, at Walter Reed Hospital, LIEUT. COL. EDWARD J. MAHER (retired), beloved husband of Freida S. Maher and father of Edmund Maher, of San Francisco, Calif., and Glenn Maher. Funeral from his late residence, 1841 Ontario pl. nw., on Wednesday, December 27, at 8:30 a. m. Requiem mass at St. Paul's Church at 9 a. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Arlington National Cemetery. (Please omit flowers.) Arrangements by P. A. Talavull.

ROLLISON. JEANETTE. On Friday, December 22, 1939, at her residence, 3059 M st. nw., JEANETTE ROLLISON, the beloved mother of Earl and Richard Rollison and grandmother of William, Clayton, Helen, Nettie, Lawrence, Delbert, James, Lorraine, Lorna and Elsen Rollison. Remains resting at the Chambers Georgetown funeral home, 31st and M sts. nw., where funeral services will be held with those of her nephew, William Rollison, on Tuesday, December 26, at 9:45 a. m. Interment in Union Cemetery, Leesburg, Va.

ROLLISON. WILLIAM H. On Sunday, December 24, 1939, at his residence, 3059 M st. nw., WILLIAM H. ROLLISON, beloved father of Clayton, William, jr., Lawrence, Delbert, James and Nettie Rollison and Mrs. Helen Cooper. Remains resting at the Chambers Georgetown funeral home, 31st and M sts. nw., where funeral services will be held with those of his aunt and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Janette Rollison, on Tuesday, December 26, at 9:45 a. m. Interment in Union Cemetery, Leesburg, Va.

STANTON. JOHN E. On Sunday, December 24, 1939, at his resid

Virginia's Traffic Toll 743, Up 53, In Holiday Crash

Richmond, Va., Dec. 24 (AP).—An early morning automobile accident near Williamsburg yesterday killed one young man and injured another to bring Virginia's highway toll for 1939 to 743, or 53 victims more than last year.

The approaching holidays began contributing to traffic hazards as early as Friday when six persons were killed. Six other highway deaths were reported Saturday.

Maynard Wroton, 18, of Williamsburg, was killed when the car which he was driving left the Williamsburg-Richmond highway on a curve near Ewell.

Herman Fannen, also of Williamsburg, was admitted to Bell Hospital. Two other passengers escaped injury.

A Christmas Holiday

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 24 (AP).—Annual Christmas pardons from Judge R. T. Wilson, of Hustings Court, and Justice E. F. Clements, of Police Court, gave 30 Petersburg jail inmates their freedom for the holidays.

Real Christmas Cheer

Hopewell, Va., Dec. 24 (AP).—Some 1,500 depositors of the defunct Hopewell Bank & Trust Co. received Christmas cheer in the form of $33,000 in dividend checks yesterday.

Vital Statistics

Deaths
Wilhelmina R. Baker, 85, 62 Rhode Island ave. nw.
Martha E. Wiltberger, 81, 601 Taylor st. nw.
Charles J. Walker, 71, Garfield Hosp.
Andrew T. Wannenwetsch, 71, Potomac River.
Carolyn E. Mace, 5705 Sherrier pl. nw.
Lola M. Keefer, 66, Garfield Hosp.
M. Elizabeth Waesche, 84, 200 Van Buren st. nw.
William R. Rhodes, 64, Garfield Hosp.
Christine Horner, 54, 1209 Fern st. nw.
Carolyn H. Yeamans, 52, 1636 Irving st. nw.
Walter A. Riedel, 52, United States Naval Hosp.
George Heinle, 41, Homeopathic Hosp.
Thomas Keys, 33, Georgetown Hosp.
Clyde W. Sliger, 31, Emergency Hosp.

Births
Adolph and Dorothy Abramson, boy.
Moulton and Cleo Balch, girl.
Andre and Irene Bendel, girl.
Edward and Sophie Brown, girl.
Charles and Helen Cook, girl.
Carmon and Judith D'Agostino, girl.
Carl and Hazel Barnell, boy.
James and Evelyn Donahue, girl.
Roy and Helen Hill, girl.
Millard and Ann Hinerman, girl.
Kinsey and Madeline Jones, girl.
William and Nancy Lynch, boy.
Harold and Afton Maw, boy.
Edward and Gladys Spano, girl.
Norman and Lucretia Tietjens, girl.
Jack and Hope Trethewey, girl.
Douglas and Nellie Ward, boy.
Francis and Alice Washer, girl.
Charles and Mary Wells, boy.
James and Mary Williams, boy.

Ship Movements

AT NEW YORK
Arrived Yesterday
President Garfield, from Marseille.
Talamanca, from Port Limon.
Monterey, from Veracrus.
U. S. Grant, from Honolulu.
city of Birmingham, from Savannah.
Robert E. Lee, from Norfolk.
Arrive Today
Coamo, from Trujillo City.
Cherokee, from Jacksonville.
Arrive Tomorrow
Urusuay, from Buenos Aires.
Santa Paula, from Cartagena.
Oriente, from Valparaiso.
San Juan, from San Juan.
Algonquin, from Galveston.
Sails Today
None.
Sail Tomorrow
Aisier, for Oslo.
Gran, for Lisbon.
Veendam, for Rotterdam.
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In Dulci Jubilo ..... Bach
In Dulci Jubilo ..... Candlyn
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the District of Columbia, holding Probate Court. In re Estate of John C. Exner, deceased. Administration No. 53435. Order fixing new date for trial and providing for publication. The notification as to the trial of the issues in this case relating to the validity of the paper-writing dated the 12th day of October, 1933, purporting to be the last will and testament of John C. Exner, deceased, having been returned as to Elmwood Cemetery and as to the unknown heirs at law and unknown next of kin of said John C. Exner, deceased, "not to be found," it is by the court this 27th day of November, 1939, ordered, that said issues be continued for trial from November 27, 1939, until the 16TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1940, before a jury at the United States Courthouse, Washington, D. C., and that this order and the substance of said issues, to-wit, was the paper-writing dated October 12, 1933, the last will and testament of John C. Exner, deceased, was it properly executed, was said John C. Exner capable of making said will, was it obtained by fraud, deceit, undue influence, duress or coercion, shall be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Washington Law Reporter, and twice a week for the same period in The Washington Post. F. DICKINSON LEITCH, Justice. No objection: McKENNEY, FLANNERY & CRAIGHILL. By: JOHN E. LARSON, Attorneys for American Security & Trust Company, Executor. Attest: (Seal.) THEODORE COGSWELL, Register of Wills for the District of Columbia. Clerk of the Probate Court. 2.4.9.11.16.18.23.25

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Business Property 64

2-STORY brick bldg., store and apt., You st. nw.—Cash or terms. Inquire B. R. COWARD, 903 You st. nw. HO. 4719.

Sale Houses 66

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A GOOD TIME
To See
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$33.75 PER MONTH
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Attractive semi-det. English brick situated in the heart of BETTER BRIGHTWOOD. Seven lovely rooms, tile bath, 2 porches, fireplace, etc. Beautifully recond. Convenient to stores, schools and transportation. Only $6,850, on terms.
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A nice row brick house of 6 rooms, bath; hot-water heat, gas and electricity; almost new roof; in one of the better Northeast sections; $750 cash, balance $35 month; one trust.
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In American University Park.
½ Block of Mass. Ave., N.W.
Center entrance plan; 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, beautiful screened porch, detached garage. Construction consists of solid brick, Douglas fir joists, copper plumbing, down spouts and gutters. Open 11 to 9.
FURNISHED EXHIBIT HOME AT
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$10,500 to $10,750.
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Wanted—Houses 67

CASH for houses, brick or frame, white or colored; D. C. only; immed. settlement. R. A. GARVEY, DI. 4508, 1126 Vt. ave. nw.

Sale Lots 69

$900 UP—Several unusual building sites; Northwest section. A. D. Crumbaugh, 4908 Wisconsin ave. WO. 1-3-6-4.

Suburban for Sale 70

NEARBY VA.—6 rooms, full basement, city conveniences, $6,300; terms. CH. 0050.

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Large living room with fireplace, big screened porch, bedrms., with ample closet space; attic large enough for 2 bedrooms; full-sized basement; with oil heat; room for recreation room. This home sold for $7,250 in August; owner transferred. A gift at $6,500.
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WOODED HOMESITE with 204-ft. frontage on crushed stone road. Contains about 1½ acres and slopes toward road. Located near Annandale. City elec. and phone service available. Clear of debt and offered on easy terms at $650. See MASON HIRST, Annandale, Va., at the end of Columbia pike. Phone Alexandria 869-J-1. Closed today.

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LOVELY 5-acre farm; mod. 5-rm. home; 1,200-ft. front., 30 min. D. C. $6,250, terms. RALPH CRAIN, CH. 3239.

Sale—Shores, Waterfront 74

93 ACRES level farmland, fine ducking shore; 45 miles D. C.; $2,500; terms. Gibons, Barr Bldg. NA. 3753-LI. 7078-J.

Sale—Out-of-Town 75

2,000 FEET on n. s. Potomac River, 455 acres, 8 m. from Leonardtown, Md. Suit. aviation, camp, sanatorium, club, estate. 1,039 acres, Millville, N. J., 8 m. from Delaware Bay. Suit. sand plant, aviation, home dev. 60,000,000 tons A-1 sand. Gas, elec., city water & sewers. Landberg Realty Co., 6227 Osceola ave., Philadelphia. LIVingston 2144.

Business Opportunities 77

BEAUTY SHOP, N.W.—Sacrifice, account illness. Cash, terms. RE. 1641, 9-12 a. m.

IF YOU ARE interested in buying or selling any kind of business see us. Through our office you will get the right business at the right price and will be fully protected.
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BERTHA RICE — BERTHA SPITELL
Sincere Wishes for a Merry Christmas
To All Our Friends and Patrons
BERTHA HAT SHOP
2629 Conn. Ave.

Greetings from
BUELL'S
Wind Shield Wiper Service
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MEt. 5779

We wish to extend our thanks for your patronage and best wishes for
A Merry Christmas
Dave's
D. G. S. Market
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Best Wishes
For a Very HAPPY CHRISTMAS
Accept Our Sincere Appreciation of Your Good Will and Patronage
J. E. Hurley
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We "Say It" With Values—
8 course lobster or turkey dinner, delicious and well served 75c
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Merry Xmas and Happy New Year
A Permanent will be a good beginning for the New Year. Look your best always.
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Drive in for Good Service
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TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS
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Season's Greetings
AND HAPPY MOTORING THROUGHOUT THE YEAR
AUTOMOTIVE *Equipment Service Co.*
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Greetings; Salutations and Best Wishes
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Ford—Mercury—Lincoln—Zephyr
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The Home of "Blue Ribbon" Used Cars

Seasons Greetings
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TO ALL OUR GOOD FRIENDS
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YINGLING & JOHNSON BARBER SHOP
Wish all the friends and customers they have served
Best Wishes for a
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
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Hear Ye—Hear Ye
Today instead of describing the greatest Used Car Values in Washington we pause to Greet you and wish you a very Merry Christmas—every one—from all of us at
L. P. Steuart, Inc.
De Soto-Plymouth Distributor
1440 P St. N.W.
1325 14th N.W. 1401 14th

Merry Xmas
Accept Our Sincere Thanks for Past and Continued Patronage.
Streamline Market
Bethesda's Most Complete Food Store
6831 Wisconsin Ave.
Bethesda, Md.

Heads of Conn. Ave.
Wish all their friends and patrons
A JOYOUS Holiday Season
COIFFURE STYLIST
Individual Personality Exquisitely Expressed
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Greetings
AND HEALTH, TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS
DIXIE CHICKEN SHOP
2313 14th DU. 3829

Our Warmest Wishes for
A Happy Holiday Season
CLARK MFG. CO.
Manufacturers of Best *All Metal* WEATHER STRIPS
CAULKING—SCREENS
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Give Flowers All Through the Year and Especially at Xmas, to Bring Good Cheer.
Best Wishes To All
JOSEPH'S FLORAL SHOP
Reasonable Corsages
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Season's Greetings
To All Our MANY FRIENDS AND PATRONS
from
WILLIAM P. RESTORFF
THE RIVERDALE GARAGE
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HYattsville 436

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Wishes to take this opportunity to express their season's greetings to their friends and customers.
601 F St. N.W. ME. 1882

WOODBURN BEAUTY SALON
Marian Wood Lois Wilburn
Expert beauty aid is our way of showing you how greatly we appreciate your patronage.
Merry Xmas
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Greetings
and Best wishes for the finest Christmas ever for you and yours from all of us at
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To Wish
Our Friends and Patrons
A Joyous Christmas
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Merry Xmas
MILLER-DUDLEY CO.
Distributors
Carter Carburetor
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It's always a pleasure to serve you. But now it's time just to say
Merry Christmas
To all my Friends and Patrons
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MI. 35007

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
BRENTWOOD GARAGE
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Hyattsville, Md.

To Those Who
appreciate the friendship of a Pet and to the extent of providing a permanent resting place of remembrance and honor we extend the
Season's Greetings
ASPIN HILL PET CEMETERY
Aspen, Md. Kensington 152-M

SEASON'S *Greetings*
TENDLERS
PAWN BROKERS SALES COMPANY
913 D ST. N.W. ME. 9339

Merry Xmas
To our many friends and customers we extend our sincere good wishes for a Merry Christmas!
Riverside Pharmacy and Liquor Store
Props.: Hyman Avrunin
Harry Hirsch

With Best Wishes for a very
MERRY XMAS
The Montgomery Farm Woman's Co-operative Market, Inc.
6845 Wisconsin Ave. WI. 2291
Bethesda, Maryland

Merry Xmas
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS—BOTH OLD AND NEW
BURROWS SERVICE STATION
Bethesda's Second Oldest Garage.
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We extend heartiest wishes for a Happy Xmas season to all our customers and friends and we cordially invite your continued patronage.
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Greetings and Best Wishes For the Merriest Christmas Ever!
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Silver Spring, Md.

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Wishes a
Merry Xmas
to its many friends and patrons.
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To our many friends and patrons. Good food is the road to a man's heart and it's a road to good health, too! Come here for tasty meals attractively served.
Houston Restaurant
G. Nicholson, Proprietor.
910 E St. N.W.

Season's Greetings
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS—BOTH OLD AND NEW
Cherry Blossom RESTAURANT
Christmas Turkey Dinner
Complete 7 Course
75c
912 14th St. N.W.

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Just Long Enough to Wish You a Merry Christmas.
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Washington's Complete Saddlery Store
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Extend Heartiest Holiday Greetings
To all their friends and patrons.
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Season's Greetings
Listen My Children and, You Shall Hear of the Best Place to Eat Throughout the New Year.
Bassins DELICATESSEN
1349 E Street N.W.

MELO-CREAM DO-NUT CO.
THE DO-NUT THAT IS DIFFERENT
We extend greetings and cheer to all our friends and patrons and wish them continued prosperity for the coming year.
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LIncoln 10216

Season's Good Wishes
TO ALL OF OUR FRIENDS And CUSTOMERS
OKAY HOME IMPROVEMENT CO.
F. P. GORDON
1323 14th St. N.W., De. 5687

Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year
TO ALL MY FRIENDS AND PATRONS
CHINESE LANTERN RESTAURANT
Real Chinese Food Fine Liquors
Cocktails and Wines
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TO ALL
Columbia Heights Christian Church
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COl. 6538

We say it with cleanliness and good service—
A Very Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year
to all of our friends and good customers
Keep Clean Coat, Apron and Towel Supply Co.
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Structural Building Movers and Engineers
Extend
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to Its Friends and Patrons
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May I wish to all of my many friends and patrons a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
M. H. GAFF
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Di. 6413
Distributing Service

Season's Greetings
TO OUR MANY FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS
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922 New York Ave. N.W.

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IT HAS BEEN A REAL PLEASURE TO SERVE YOU, AND WE'RE HOPING FOR YOUR CONTINUED PATRONAGE THROUGHOUT THE COMING YEAR.
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Christmas
GREETINGS
To All of You
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A Merry Christmas
To the many friends we have served in the past and to those we will make in the future.
The Alturas
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Proprietor, Philip Alter

Season's Greetings
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS
Knotty Pine Tavern
LANHAM, MARYLAND

To all our friends and clients we extend our sincere good wishes. Serving you has been a pleasure.
Arlena's Beauty Shop
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MERRY Christmas
TO OUR MANY FRIENDS & PATRONS
FROM OUR Entire Personnel
LUSTINE NICHOLSON MOTOR COMPANY
HYATTSVILLE, MD.
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To Our Many Friends and Customers
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ST. 9351

Seasons GREETINGS
TO ALL
FOOD FAIR
Table Supply
And Food Stores

Merry Christmas And a Happy Prosperous New Year
to my friends and customers.
Sincerely,
JOHN MINICK.
HARLAND'S GARAGE
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LIncoln 10112

Wishing You the JOY *of the Holiday Season*
Special full course Xmas dinner
$1.00
Children's portion 50c.
NAYLOR'S SEAFOOD RESTAURANT
OPEN XMAS EVENING
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With Very Best Wishes for a
Very Merry Christmas
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NO. 2360
Dependable Movers

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TO ALL OF OUR MANY FRIENDS
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MI. 0983

Merry Christmas Everybody
Hyattsville Auto & Supply Co.
"Buick Dealer"
HYATTSVILLE, MD.
On the Boulevard
Greenwood 4020

Christmas
GREETINGS
To Our Host of Patrons
Beer Wine and DRINKS of all Kinds
Donnell's SEA GRILL
1207-9 E St. N.W. NEVER CLOSED

Sincere Wishes for the Finest Christmas
To Our Friends and Patrons
CANDLESTICK COFFEE SHOP
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MEt. 7156.

Season's Greetings
To all our many friends and patrons.
A Merry Christmas
TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS
AMERICAN WINDOW AND VACUUM CLEANING CO.
and
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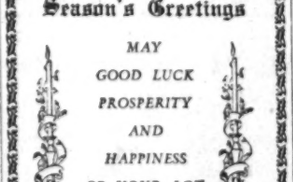
MERRY CHRISTMAS
MAY GOOD LUCK PROSPERITY AND HAPPINESS BE YOUR LOT
DOME OIL COMPANY
4th & Cedar Sts. N.W. GE. 2270

'TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS When ALL 'THRU THE HOUSE . . . "7 UP" WAS THE FAVORITE of HUSBAND and SPOUSE
Season's Greetings

MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
SINCERE WISHES FOR A GRAND AND GLORIOUS HOLIDAY SEASON TO ALL OF YOU..FROM ALL OF US.... AT
NORTHEAST MOTOR CO.
FORD MERCURY LINCOLN SERVICE
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Christmas Cheer
Christmas
Greetings to Our Many Friends and Patrons
SPECIAL HOLIDAY DINNERS
THE OCCIDENTAL HOTEL
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Here's To You and Yours
WE WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON
HARVARD
Liquor Store, Inc.
2901 Sherman Ave. N.W.
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TO GREET YOU
once again, our friends, at this Happy Holiday Season with a Merry Christmas.
"Bill" Limerick
and the boys of
Limerick's Service Station
Wm. H. Limerick
4430 Benning Road N.E.
Your friendly service station handling all popular brands of gas and oil.

Friends
this is a small card, but it comes from a big heart to wish you one and all a
Very Merry Christmas
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824 14th N.W.
It has been a real pleasure to serve you in the past. We look forward to serving you in the future.
NOTICE
For the benefit of our employes we shall be closed Dec. 24 and Dec. 25. Watch for our opening on 15th Street N.W.

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TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CONSUMERS
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Yuletide Thoughts
To our friends, one and all, our thoughts turn at Christmas, and it brings us happiness to wish them a joyous holiday.
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Seasons Greetings
New Books Lending Library
FRANCIS SCOTT KEY *Book Shop*
29th & O Sts. N.W. HO. 4141
Ample Space for Parking

Merry Christmas Happy New Year
TO ALL
Northeast Body Works
REAR 1341 H ST. N.E.
LIn. 9570

Mr. Canter *of* The Master Upholstering Co.
extends
Season's Greetings
To His Friends and Patrons
RA 9875

To all my friends and patrons
A Very Merry Christmas
We Specialize in Steaks and Maryland Fried Chicken
All Kinds of Mixed Drinks
DANCING EVERY EVENING
Hill Top Restaurant
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JUST OVER THE LINE

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MAY I take this opportunity to thank you, the readers of The Washington Post, for your confidence in my honest endeavor to serve your automotive needs and to extend the Season's Heartiest Greetings? May you enjoy the finest Christmas ever.
Sincerely,
JOHN M. FASANKO.
And the Entire Personnel
Fasanko Motor Sales
Your Suburban Chrysler-Plymouth Dealer
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It is with pleasure that we extend to our Customers and Friends our sincere wishes for a Very Merry Christmas.
SELLERS
Sales & Service
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FOR JOY AND GOOD HEALTH
BOWL
CONVENTION *Hall Alley*
8th & L N.W.
NA. 1992

Christmas Greetings

SEASON'S
Greetings
To all our friends and customers
Edw. W. Minte Co.
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Here's to a Full Measure of Happiness and Good Fortune
D. CONNOR & SON
Real Estate
2426 Pa. Ave. N.W.
REo. 2426.

To Our Friends & Customers
A Merry Christmas
Awnings, Window Shades
Venetian Blinds
WILLIAM C. BROOKS
3453 14th St. N.W. Co. 2618

Merry Christmas
May We Extend to Our Friends and Customers Warm Wishes of Good Cheer That Is as Lasting as Our Famous Roofs.
Dee Cee Roofing Co.
Member Johns-Manville Guild.
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Season's Greetings
WE HEARTILY EXTEND TO YOU GREETINGS OF THE SEASON MAY YOU ENJOY HEALTH AND HAPPINESS THROUGHOUT
Financing of Homes in Washington for 50 years
WASHINGTON PERMANENT BUILDING ASSOCIATION
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We extend to all our Friends our sincere Greetings and Wish all A Merry Christmas
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To those whom we've had the pleasure of serving and to those whom we hope to serve in the near future we wish a very Merry Christmas.
The First Federal Savings & Loan Assn. of Alexandria
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Holiday Happiness to Everyone
A. M. COOPER
1008 Eye St. N.W. NA. 1332

To EMPLOYERS
We Pledge Careful Service; And to Our Applicants We Assure Efficient Attention.
To one and all
A Merry Christmas
WATERS' AGENCY
1213 Eye St. N.W.

Season's Greetings
A whole page could not convey more of my honest sincerity than does this little bit of space.
JAMES J. LAMPTON
404 Insurance Bldg.
ME. 6054

Merry Christmas
Northern Liberty Building Association
W. C. ZIMMERMAN, Pres.
WM. H. SOMERVELL, Vice Pres.
G. M. EMMERICH, Treas.
E. M. EMMERICH, Sec.
511 Seventh St. N.W.

Greetings to Our Friends and Customers.
F. G. JACKSON
PLUMBER
Rear 1009 E St. N.W.
NA. 6311

To all of our many friends and good patrons we wish a
Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year—
Continental Car-Na-Var-Corp.
1427 Eye St. N.W. ME. 0043

Greetings
TO OUR MANY FRIENDS AND CLIENTS
LEO M. BERNSTEIN
718 8TH ST. N.W. ME. 0400

Extending the COMPLIMENTS of the SEASON
With Sincere Good Wishes
MERRY CHRISTMAS
District Lawyers and Washington Title Insurance Cos.
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Season's Greetings to All
R. N. RUST CO.
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We Take This Opportunity To Wish
PATRONS and FRIENDS
Cordial
Season's Greetings
Hayes Realty Co.
2020 P St. N.W. Du. 7784

An old, old greeting, time-honored and sincerely meant:
Season's Greetings
to all our friends and clients.
T. J. Pearson
Real Estate
3243 N. Wash. Blvd., Arlington, Va. Oxford 1001

We are happy for this opportunity to express appreciation for your patronage which has helped us to grow. To all our friends, patrons and all whom we hope to serve—
A Very Merry Christmas
DISTRICT ELECTRIC CO
4905 Wis. Ave. N.W.
WO. 4905

Greetings
FROM
JEROME DEMORO COMPANY
Plastering Contractor
513 Irving St. N.W. TA. 4199

Season's GREETINGS
OUR thoughts turn to our friends—one and all—and it brings us happiness to wish them a very Merry Christmas.
SUBURBAN NATIONAL BANK
Takoma Park MD. Silver Spring

Holiday Cheer
. . . and the expressive desire to serve you in the coming year.
IMPERIAL PHARMACY
2428 F St. N.W. Mich. 9598
"24-Hour Service"

SEASON'S GREETINGS
May the coming year bring you treasured joys.
C. S. GASTON OF PARIS
1741 Conn. Ave. N.W.
HO. 6440

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS
To all our friends and clients we extend our sincere good wishes for a very Merry Christmas.
Nicholas Gaston
BUSINESS BROKERS.
Suite 501, Woodward Bldg. DI. 7165.

To All My Friends and Clients
MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR
For any kind of business, call
OWENS REALTY CO.
1343 H St. N.W. MEt. 9688

Seasons Greetings
W. M. BRASWELL
3418 14TH STREET N.W.
REAL ESTATE

SEASON'S GREETINGS
TO OUR MANY PATRONS & FRIENDS
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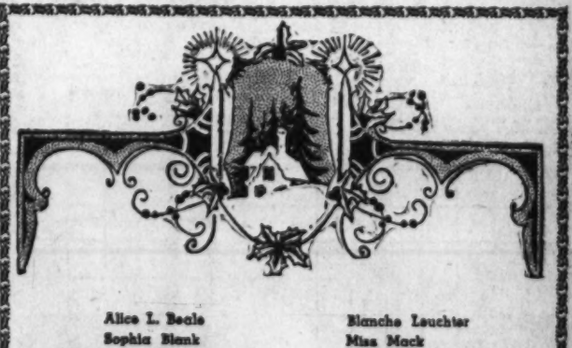

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Miss Burns	Miss Martin
Miss Day	Miss Moore
Miss Eddy	Fay Price
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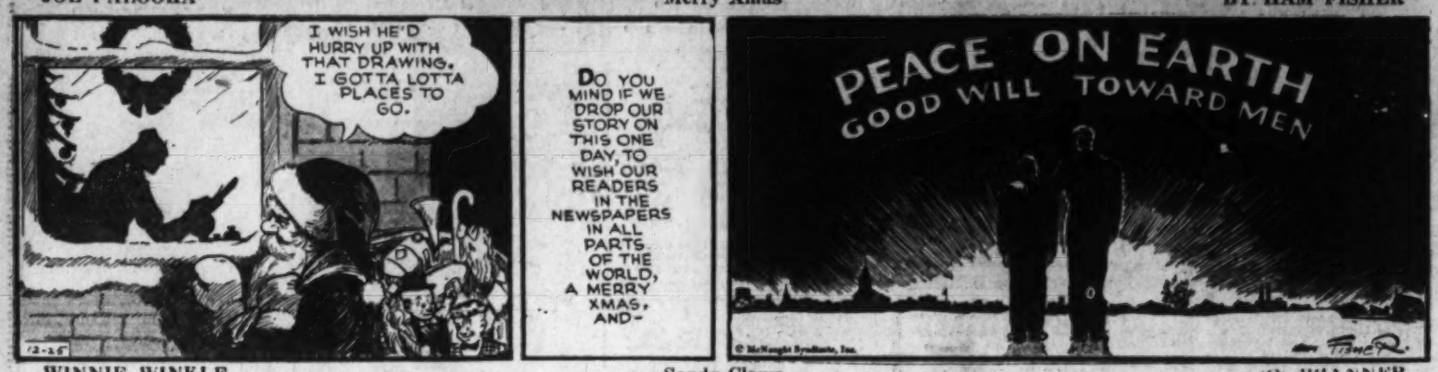
I WISH HE'D HURRY UP WITH THAT DRAWING. I GOTTA LOTTA PLACES TO GO.
DO YOU MIND IF WE DROP OUR STORY ON THIS ONE DAY, TO WISH OUR READERS IN THE NEWSPAPERS IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD, A MERRY XMAS, AND-
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WELL, I AM FIXING T'INGS UP FOR CHRIS'IMUS! MAYBE KIDDIES ARE KISSING AND MAKING UP THEIR FIGHT!
MERRY CHRISTMAS, NICK!
MERRY CHRISTMAS, NICKY, OLD BOY!
MERRY CHRISTMAS TO BOTH YOU KIDDIES!
-ER- NICK, WOULD YOU PLEASE HAND THESE CHRISTMAS GIFTS TO MR. WRIGHT FOR ME?
AND YOU CAN HAND MINE TO MISSUS WRIGHT!
H'M! FINE CHRIS'IMUS, I AM T'INKING! IS MORE LIKE FOURTH JULY WIT' FIRE-WORKINGS BETWEEN YOU TWO DOPIES!

MR. AND MRS. — Christmas Day in the Morning — BY ARTHUR FOLWELL AND ELLISON HOOVER

MERRY CHRISTMAS, JOE!
HUH?
WAKE UP! IT'S CHRISTMAS MORNING.
WHA'S IDEA? 'S ONLY EIGHT O'CLOCK
WELL, CAN'T YOU WAKE UP LONG ENOUGH TO SAY MERRY CHRISTMAS?
MERRY CHRISTM-Z-Z-Z-Z-Z-Z-Z-Z-Z
HEY, MERRY CHRISTMAS, VI, OLD DEAR!
OH, I WISH YOU'D LET ME SLEEP!
ABOUT ONE HOUR LATER

NAPOLEON AND UNCLE ELBY — BY CLIFFORD McBRIDE

SPENCE EASLEY — BY JACK PATTON

-AND WE SPEND ALL OUR TIME BEEFING ABOUT TOUGH TIMES
IT WOULD BE NICE IF FOLKS WERE NICE THE YEAR 'ROUND LIKE THEY ARE AT CHRISTMAS
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Private Lives

By Edwin Cox

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SINCE THE WAR CAUSED GASOLINE TO BE RATIONED, EUROPE HAS DEVELOPED MANY ROYAL STRAPHANGERS. TWO WHO RIDE THE TROLLEYS ALMOST EVERY DAY ARE CROWN PRINCE FREDERICK OF DENMARK, & HIS WIFE PRINCESS INGRID.

Contract Bridge

By Florence Osborn.

"If Jacoby bids six spades, I have to play it, don't I?" demands Howard Schenken in counseling players to make the best of their partners.

"Whatever your partner does," the Four Aces advise their followers, "he is your partner. Whatever he loses you lose with him; whatever he wins you win with him. Accordingly, if you find yourself doubled at a high contract which is the result of bad bidding by your partner, it doesn't help any to go down two or three extra tricks merely because you are too angry to play the hand well. Instead, make the best of the bad situation and restrict your losses. Also, bear in mind that until the rubber is over he is going to remain your partner. Don't upset him to the point where he will throw every hand."

While the Aces advise holding your temper as long as you're tied to your partner, they don't demand that you suffer over and over again.

Capt. Ossie Jacoby who is never too tender with partners, illustrates this view plainly in answering a bridge question put to him by W. Howard Woolworth, bridge editor of the Buffalo Courier Express.

North and South vulnerable, what should East do on this bidding?

South	West	North	East
1 ♢	Dbl.	Pass	?

East holds:

♠ 9 8
♡ None
♢ J 10 8 6 3
♣ Q 9 8 4 3 2

Jacoby replies: "Personally, I would respond with two clubs with the East hand without any hesitation whatsoever. And if a partner of mine ever did respond one no trump with that particular hand it would be his last session of duplicate with me."

Va. Registration Of Autos Up 40%

Richmond, Va., Dec. 24 (AP).—The registration of motor vehicles in Virginia increased 17,627, or 4 per cent, from March 15 to December 1 over the comparative period of last year, the division of motor vehicles states in its November report.

The total for the like periods of the two years were 468,091 in 1939, and 450,364 in 1938.

During the first 11 months of 1939, Virgina collected $17,515,116.90 on the gasoline tax, $1,242,848.96 more than during the first 11 months of 1938.

Today's Radio Highlights

A Memory Lane broadcast brings to Christmas Day, 1939, poignant thoughts of Christmas Day, 1918, in a hospital in France—WOL, 9 a. m.

An exchange of greetings from all parts of the British Empire—WOL, 9:15 a. m.

King George of England speaks from Buckingham Palace—WMAL, WJSV and WOL, 10 a. m.

American war correspondents serving on the Allied Front are reunited by radio with their families at home in America—WMAL, 12 noon.

Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace extends greetings of the day to listeners of the Farm and Home Hour—WMAL, 12:30 p. m.

Frank Black conducts music from Chaikovski's "The Nutcracker Suite"—WMAL, 2 p. m.

Prime Minister Eamon De Valera, American-born, sends greetings to his native land from Dublin, Ireland—WJSV, 3:35 p. m.

Richard Crooks, American tenor of the Metropolitan Opera, highlights music of Handel and Puccini—WRC, 8:30 p. m.

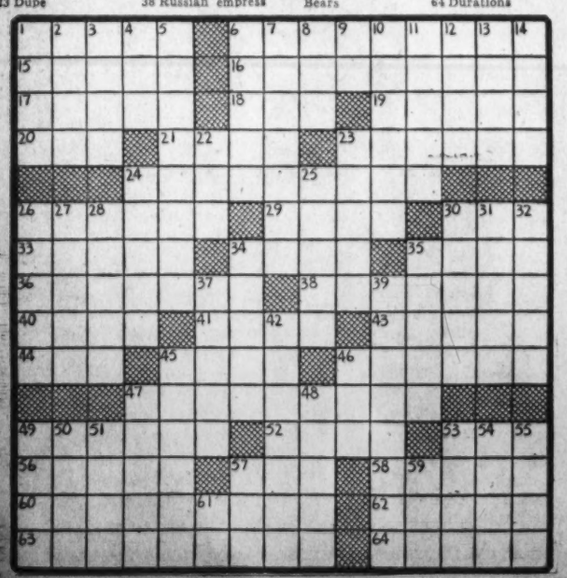
Grace Moore presents an hour of Christmas music—WOL, 9 p. m.

Walt Disney's forthcoming "Pinocchio" is Cecil B. DeMille's play for this evening—WJSV, 9 p. m.

Monday, December 25 — Washington — Eastern Standard Time

	WMAL 476M-630KC	WRC 316M-950KC	WOL 229M-1,230KC	WJSV 206M-1,460KC	
6:00		Gordon Hit'mark		Arthur Godfrey	6:00
6:15		" "		" "	6:15
6:30	Today's Prelude	" "	Art Brown	" "	6:30
6:45	" "	" "	" "	" "	6:45
7:00	" "	" "	" "	" "	7:00
7:15	Bourdan; News	" "	" "	" "	7:15
7:30	STATION PDS	" "	Walter Compton	News and	7:30
7:45	PRESENTS	" "	Art Brown	Arthur Godfrey	7:45
8:00	" "	News	" "	TodayinEurope	8:00
8:15	" "	Gordon Hit'mark	" "	Arthur Godfrey	8:15
8:30	Earl Godwin	" "	Walter Compton	Magic Carpet	8:30
8:45	Melodiana	" "	Art Brown	Fan Fare	8:45
9:00	News	News; Hap Jack	War Memorial	Alice Blair	9:00
9:15	The	Band to Town	Christmas in	Good Morning	9:15
9:30	Breakfast	Frank McHugh	The British	Tune Time	9:30
9:45	Club	Three Romeos	Empire	B'kelor's Chil'n	9:45
10:00	King George	Man I Married	King George	King George	10:00
10:15	Right to Happ.	John's Other Wife	Morning Concert	Myrt & Marge	10:15
10:30	Mary Marlin	Just Plain Bill	The Story	Hilltop House	10:30
10:45	Novelettes	Woman in White	of	Stepmother	10:45
11:00	European News	David Harum	Christmas	Lanny Ross	11:00
11:15	Dr. Malone	Road of Life	Buckeye Four	Brenda Curtis	11:15
11:30	Jack Berch	Against the Storm	4th Presbyterian	Big Sister	11:30
11:45	Jack Foy	Guiding Light	Church	Aunt Jenny	11:45
	AFTERNOON PROGRAMS				
12:00	War Corres.	News	Luncheon Music	Kate Smith	12:00
12:15	Rakov's Orch.	The O'Neills	Walter Compton	Girl Marries	12:15
12:30	National	The Carters	Toronto Trio	Helen Trent	12:30
12:45	Farm and	Devotions	" "	Our Gal Sunday	12:45
1:00	Home Hour	C'webs-Cadenzas	Central Union	Goldbergs	1:00
1:15	Dr. Sizoo	Ellen Randolph	Mission	News; Music	1:15
1:30	Spitalny Orch.	Some Like	Tony Wakeman	Day Is Ours	1:30
1:45	European News	It Old	" "	Road of Life	1:45
2:00	The	Betty and Bob	" "	Reporter	2:00
2:15	Nut	Grimm's Daugh'r	" "	Dr. Susan	2:15
2:30	Cracker	Valiant Lady	" "	Your Family	2:30
2:45	Suite	Church Hymns	" "	My Son and I	2:45
3:00	The Passing	Mary Marlin	Walter Compton	Joyce Jordan	3:00
3:15	of the	Ma Perkins	Tony Wakeman	Society Girl	3:15
3:30	Third Floor	Pepper Young	" "	From Dublin	3:30
3:45	Back	Vic and Sade	" "	World Dances	3:45
4:00	News; Club	Backstage Wife	" "	Christmas at	4:00
4:15	Matinee	Stella Dallas	" "	the Front	4:15
4:30	" "	Lorenzo Jones	" "	Washington	4:30
4:45	News	Widow Brown	" "	Hour	4:45
5:00	Hoylan Sisters	Girl Alone	Meet Miss Julia	By Kath. Norris	5:00
5:15	Tune Types	Midstream	Johnson Family	Tonic Tunes	5:15
5:30	Bud Barton	Jack Armstrong	Cocktail Capers	Hollywood	5:30
5:45	Tom Mix	Orphan Annie	Tune Time	Baines	5:45
	EVENING PROGRAMS				
6:00	Sports Review	News; Str'mliner	Sports Resume	News; E. C. Hill	6:00
6:15	European News	Streamliner	Christmas Carols	Arch McDonald	6:15
6:30	Radio Varieties	Bankhage	Walter Compton	Life Beautiful	6:30
6:45	Lowell Thomas	Streamliner	WPA Concert	TodayinEurope	6:45
7:00	Kinney's Orch.	Fred Waring	Fulton Lewis, Jr.	Amos 'n' Andy	7:00
7:15	NBC Program	I Love A Mystery	June Bartlett	Lum and Abner	7:15
7:30	Sensations and	Whisper Rhythm	Lone Ranger	Blondie	7:30
7:45	Swing	? Hittenmark	" "	" "	7:45
8:00	Sherlock	Quaker Variety:	If We Call	Tune Up	8:00
8:15	Holmes	Riggs, Betty Lou	Syncopation	Time	8:15
8:30	True or	Richard Crooks	St. Mary's	The Model	8:30
8:45	False	Concert	Novena	Minstr'ls; News	8:45
9:00	News; The	Dr.	Grace	Radio Theater	9:00
9:15	Rochester	I. Q.	Moore's	" "	9:15
9:30	Civic	Alec	Christmas	" "	9:30
9:45	Orchestra	Templeton	Concert	" "	9:45
10:00	Little Of	Contented	Double or	Guy Lombardo	10:00
10:15	Hollywood	Program	Nothing	Orchestra	10:15
10:30	Russ Morgan's	The Old Timer	News	News; Music	10:30
10:45	Orchestra	Master Singers	Music to	Bert Granoff	10:45
11:00	News; Bankhage	News	Read By	Paul Sullivan	11:00
11:15	Courtney's Orch.	To Be Announced	Barrie Orch.	Master Works	11:15
11:30	Music	Ben Cutler's	Paul Whiteman's	On the Air	11:30
11:45	You	Orchestra	Orchestra	Kaye's Orch.	11:45
12:00	Desire	Night Watchman	Benny Goodman's	Louis Arm-	12:00
12:15	Sign Off	Until 1 A. M.	Orchestra	strong's Orch.	12:15

Daily Cross Word Puzzle



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46 Fruits
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52 One of the Bears
53 Fuss
56 Steel helmet
57 Mahomet's adopted son
58 Lawmaker
60 General
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22 Put on
23 Changes direction
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26 Bludgeons
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31 Hindu princess
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34 Declaim
35 Snares
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48 Seed coverings
49 A roulade: Ger.
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SATURDAY'S ANSWER

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Radio is Santa Claus to a lot of people, as the following list will prove (we hope):

Ted Husing started life shilling a little jim-dandy combination potato-peeler and bottle-opener for a dime.

Arthur Godfrey once peddled cemetery lots. Many of his best gags today were peacefully laid away in those same lots.

Arch McDonald once swung a towel in Jack Dampsey's corner. In those days Jack was knocking 'em dead with a punch and there was very little work for Arch to do, a fact which was taken into consideration when he accepted the job.

Harry Crow, WJSV's treasurer, spent his early youth at the Press Club treasurer's office. After that anything was easy.

A. D. Willard, jr., general manager of WJSV, once worked as a sleuth for a financial publication.

John Charles Daly, WJSV announcer, earned his first dollar riding herd on the Capitol Transit System's buses.

Reginald Allen, another spieler, began his life as an actor. And according to his own story, a good bit of the old Smithfield.

Al Warner, CBS's Washington news analyst, was an iceman before the electric refrigerator took all the romance out of that calling.

Ye author started life a spoiled son of an extremely indigent family.

Clyde Hunt, WJSV's chief engineer, launched his career from behind a soda fountain. He still flips together a pretty grand banana float.

Gunnar Beck, another WJSV announcer, was a professor of English.

Jack Dalton, the cowboy ballad wrangler, started his career riding the range in the Panhandle country around Atlanta, Ga.

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Chapter 23

HE walked home, unhappy and dissatisfied. He had saved Ursula Martin—so far as she could be saved—but what about Beverly? This reckless, defiant boy was not the Jerry Ames he had remembered, and his heart sank. To give her over in such hands—

When he reached his door again, there was a messenger boy on the step, and he signed for a telegram. It was from Hiram Mortimer and it read:

"Mother sinking. Would like to see you."

Letitia was dying. There was no particular trouble, as Hiram said when he met Chris at the station. Nothing that anyone could find out. It was merely as if she didn't care to live any longer."

"She misses Father, I guess," was Hiram's laconic statement.

And later on, Chris, having gone over her, was inclined to agree with Hiram. It was as if old Dave, always lavish with vitality, had imparted to her something which now was gone. She lay on her own side of the wide bed, so small and light that her body hardly raised the bedding with that hollow space beside her, and with her mind quite clear and fearless.

"I think Dave needs me, Chris."

"Don't you think you're needed here, too?"

"That's different. The boys are married and have their own. They'll be sorry, but that's the way of life Dave always had to be looked after."

It was that night, however, with the "boys" sitting solemnly downstairs in the old house and the daughters-in-law bustling about in the kitchen that she really opened up her heart to Chris as probably she had never done to any one in her long life.

"Life is queer, Chris Dave wasn't in love with me when he married me. There was a girl he wanted, but she went away."

"Maybe, I never did know, Chris. He wasn't much for talking. But he needed me, and I made him a good wife."

She would drowse, awaken, sleep again, but always she held to his hand. It was as if she could say to him the things she could never say to her sons, things that she felt must be said.

She died a week later, her sons standing tall and diffident about her bed and their wives respectfully in the background. Chris was astonished and touched to find that she had left him $5,000, "to be used for study abroad or elsewhere."

It was during that absence of his that the date and details of Beverly's approaching marriage were announced, and he knew that it was too late to do anything. He was tempted to take Letitia's money and go abroad at once. But even then he knew that flight was not his answer. Also he had promised to see Ursula through her trouble in the fall.

But there was no escape for him during the days that followed. The papers were filled with details of the wedding. Names of the bridesmaids were given, marquees were described, gifts apparently were pouring in. A coffee set had been presented, it appeared, by the mayor and the city council. Then one day he saw that Beverly's wedding dress had been made in Paris, and he was standing once more with his arm around her, gazing down at an old-fashioned white satin gown.

HE HAD not been asked to the wedding; he had not expected to be. Then, late on the night before it was to take place, the telephone rang, and he heard her voice, rather breathless.

"Chris?"

"Yes."

"It's Beverly."

That old tightening of the throat, an inability to speak when suddenly moved, kept him silent, and she said,

"Are you still there, Chris?"

"I suppose I'll always be here when you need me, my dear. Is anything wrong?"

"No. That is—Chris, you're not angry with me, are you?"

"Angry? Never. I want you to be happy in your own way. And if that didn't happen to be my way—"

"And you're all right?"

"Fine. Even busy."

She said nothing to that, and it struck him suddenly that she was crying.

"See here, my darling," he said, "if you're not sure of this marriage, it's not too late. Be very sure of yourself before you go ahead. Don't make a mistake."

She did not answer that, and once again she seemed to be waiting for something, although she realized that only later.

"Look here," he said, "you're tired and nervous. I'm going to send you something to give you a night's sleep. You'll take it, won't you?"

"Yes," she said in a small voice. "You're sure you're all right?"

"Perfectly."

"Then good-night, Chris. And—good-bye."

He was pale but collected when he walked to the drugstore and sent her the promised tables. But he took one himself when they were being measured out.

Beverly married Jerry Ames the next afternoon in a blaze of sunlight in the garden, a Jerry who, along with his ushers, blinked at the glare with eyes slightly congested from his bachelor party the night before. Beverly was white but composed. Nearby was the place where Chris had found her breaking her heart a year before and had caught her in his arms. She did not look at it, however, and her voice was steady when she made her responses during the ceremony. She liked Jerry. They would grow together. And she had her father's stubbornness. She had agreed to do this thing. Now she was doing it.

The next morning's paper showed pictures of her in her wedding finery standing at the end of the green alley with the fountain behind her and Jerry beside her. She was smiling faintly into the camera.

Caesar was killed that summer, run down by the Lewis car. He was romping with another dog in the street, and the car, running well above the city speed limit, went over Caesar. Went on without stopping too, leaving Chris to carry in the faithful creature that had loved him and later to give him decent burial under a tree in the back yard.

Lily did not dare to speak to him that day and she told Miss Barker later on over the back fence that he was acting very queer, and that he had thought a lot of the dog. She was doxing in her chair late that afternoon when Chris having seen the Lewis car on its way home, deliberately put on his hat and started up the hill. He was tightlipped as he entered the driveway. He did not go to the house, but circled around it until he came to the garage, and there confronted the Lewis chauffeur, a big man, kicking his tires and smoking a cigarette.

The man knew trouble when he saw it coming. He threw away the cigarette.

"You killed my dog today," said Chris.

"Yeah?" Why didn't you keep it out of the street?"

"Killed it and went on," said Chris inexorably.

"You and your damn dog! If you're looking for trouble, you've come to the right place."

"That's precisely what I'm looking for," said Chris and hauled off with a straight right which landed on the chauffeur's jaw.

Five minutes later he picked up his hat and departed. He was considerably battered, but he felt better than he had for days. The fact that he had left his opponent sitting on the cement floor groggy and bloody was comforting. Some of the accumulated fury of days and weeks had exploded during the battle.

AS A MATTER of fact Chris, having accepted Beverley's marriage, did his best to forget her that summer. Alone on hot nights he was quietly preparing for Europe and study on Letitia's $5,000. He was freshening his college German, and even studying a small phrase book of common medical terms. He was reading surgery again, also, and spending time in the operating room watching other men work. Katie, on the operating-room staff now, would see him coming in with that eager thrust of the shoulders as if his mind were traveling ahead of his body and would watch him surreptitiously. When he smiled at one of the other nurses, she would grow hot with jealousy.

It was in August that he took off Scott's finger.

"It's got to go, Scott."

"Go ahead, but I'd like to save the hand."

But Chris, with the X-ray man on the table, surveyed the dried and burned tissues and knew that eventually the hand would go also,

"Why don't you quit, Scott?"

"It's all I know. I can't let my family starve."

One day, however, going unexpectedly into the X-ray room, he found Scott practicing writing with his left hand. Neither man said anything, and Scott put his paper aside and showed him his fish in the anteroom. Lately he had taken up the raising of small tropical fish as a hobby. They required considerable care, and Chris surmised that by filling his leisure they helped him.

Ursula Martin's boy was born early in the fall. Chris attended her himself. She had insisted on going into the ward. Now and then he saw her there, rocking quietly among the others and awaiting the miracle of birth. At times, when the nurses were busy he would find her holding some fretful baby and would marvel at the tenderness in her face.

She was still calm when preparing for her labor. She took down her long, heavy hair and braided it, and walked quietly to the delivery room when her time came.

IT WAS A hot day, and the birth was slow and difficult. Chris, leaning over her after it was over, was dripping with sweat. But she was smiling.

"A boy?" she said feebly. "I wanted a boy. I shall call him for you, Doctor."

He put the child down in the crib. "Then I'll keep an eye on him for you," he said. "We'll make a good job of him, Ursula."

She looked happier after that. She could depend on him. She had felt weak and alone. Now she was not alone. And Chris, stopping in Miss Nettie's room on the way out, told her a little of the story.

"She wanted the child," he said, "and now she has it. The father will pay her something, so that's all right. But I'd like to feel that some one knows about her while I'm away in case of trouble."

"You know who the father is?"

"I know," he said briefly, and she eyed him.

"You are an incurable sentimentalist, Chris," she told him. "What on earth is this girl to you? And haven't you enough on your hands without her?"

But she agreed, and he left more easy in his mind. Later on he told Ursula, and she thanked him gravely.

"But there will be no trouble, Doctor," she said. "I'm strong, and so is he."

"And you won't make any trouble?"

"Why should I? I have my baby."

The next morning he saw in the paper that the Jervis Ameses had returned from their honeymoon and were to live in the Lewis house. Beverly had come home—with Jerry, of course—to Holmes smiling at the door to her father, formal but apparently pleased, in the hall with his new tapestries on the walls and flowers everywhere. She was not unhappy. Jerry loved her, after his fashion. But she had no feeling of belonging to him, or indeed to anybody, even to her father. That small dapper man, cool and aloof and obsessed with his own affairs, seemed to her now an absurd figure around which to have built a furious loyalty; and looking at him over the long length of the handsome dinner table that night, taciturn and self-centered, she knew suddenly that she had thrown away the substance of living for this shadow, arrogant in his dinner clothes, critical of his meal, impatient at the service.

"Hurry up, Holmes! Get some food in here."

"Yes, sir. In a moment, sir."

The footman hurrying in, Holmes impassive, Jerry hungry and drinking too much champagne, and herself alone in her mother's place, isolated from them both, from them all.

"That's your fourth glass, Jerry. And you had a lot of cocktails."

"Don't come home from a wedding trip every day, honey."

Sitting there in the candlelight, with her arms and neck bare and her white dress shining, and facing her situation with her usual honesty, Beverly knew that if she did not love Jerry she was fond of him. He was cheerful. He sang in his bath; whistled while dressing. If his superabundant vitality had tired her at times; there were others when she was grateful for it. And he was proud of her. On that trip of theirs he had found friends in the most unlikely places, would immediately plan a party and survey her carefully after she had dressed for it.

"You're looking very lovely, sweetheart."

He would kiss her passionately, and she would do her best to respond. But it was acting, and he knew it. He had never really won her. He would release her and go away, drinking a cocktail or two to restore his self-respect and lessen his sense of failure. Even after three months of marriage he was still courting her, she knew; still trying to win her.

SITTING THERE playing with her food, she wondered just what there was to hold the three of them together, her father, Jerry and herself. For years her mother had sat where she was sitting. Had she wondered that, too? She could remember long silences at the table, broken only by the stealthy movement of the men who served the food. Now even Jerry seemed daunted. He caught her alone in the hall after dinner and grinned at her.

"Cheery little meal, eh?" he said. "Are they all like that?"

"Pretty much. You'll get used to it."

"Will I? Not if I can help it. Let's get the car and go somewhere."

"Our first evening at home?"

"What can we do here? Sit and twiddle our thumbs?"

In the end they went. They would always be going somewhere, she thought and she got a wrap. He was tireless, filled with animal energy. His cheerfulness was a part of that vitality of his, and already she knew that if she did not go, he would go alone, and she was determined to make her marriage a success. She had paid a high price for it. It must succeed.

Neither of them knew, that first night of their return, that in an upper ward in the hospital Jerry's son was lying in his mother's arms, and that she was holding him almost savagely to her breast.

Beverly saw both Ursula and Jerry's child before they left the hospital. She had taken up her mother's work of making layettes for the babies in the obstetrics ward, sitting in the garden taking her fine stitches or cutting flannel into absurdly tiny garments. She dreamed no dreams sitting there on bright autumn days. Rather she lulled herself into acceptance with her needle. This was her life, the only life she had ever known, or, she thought, she ever would know.

When she had finished her first layette she took it to the hospital, substituting good deeds for happines. She was startled to find Katie Walters there, very neat and competent, and she was aware that she was being subjected to close inspection from head to foot.

"I brought some clothes," she said. "My mother always did it and so I would like—"

"We're glad to get them, Mrs. Ames," said Katie. "I'm only relieving here, but I'll take them if you like."

(To be Continued)

Grin and Bear It

By Lichty

"Naw—all I got for Christmas was a useless bank account!"

TERRY AND THE PIRATES — Light Oak, No Doubt — BY MILTON CANIFF

WHAT STRANGE EMOTION AGITATES YOU, MY FRIEND?
BY THE BEARDS OF MY ANCESTORS, THESE WESTERN PEOPLE PRODUCE MIRACLES!
WHAT WIZARDRY IS THIS?
YOU WOULD NOT BELIEVE THE STORY! COME, I WILL REVEAL IT TO YOUR OWN EYES!
WITNESS! WHERE YESTERDAY THERE WAS AN EMPTY HALL— TODAY A LIVING TREE GROWS FROM THE FLOOR, BEARING FRUIT OF LIGHTED TAPERS! ONE CAN BUT MARVEL!

BIG CHIEF WAHOO — BY SAUNDERS AND WOGGON

BUT, CAPTAIN RUTHLEZ, YOU SURELY DON'T MEAN TO SINK THAT DEFENSELESS PASSENGER SHIP?
WITH MINNIE-HA-HA AN' PAPOOSE LUCKY ON UM BOARD?
SORRY, GENTLEMEN! SENTIMENT HAS NO PLACE IN WAR / I'VE GIVEN THE ORDER TO PREPARE TO SUBMERGE AND FIRE TORPEDOES! GET BELOW, PLEASE!
I SHALL FOLLOW YOU—A SUBMARINE CAPTAIN IS ALWAYS LAST TO GO DOWN THE HATCHWAY, YOU KNOW. HURRY! MY CREW IS WAITING!
UGH! MEBBE THEY WAIT HEAP LONG TIME!

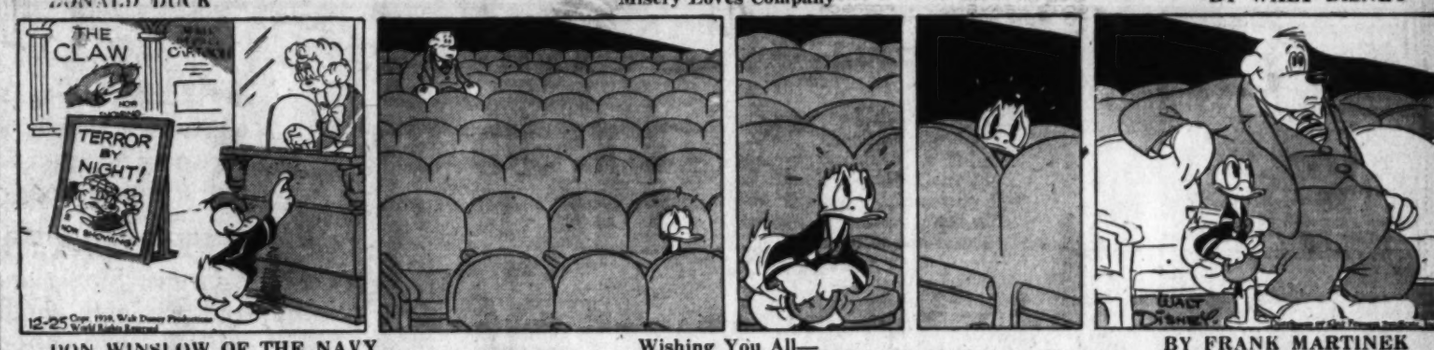
MICKEY FINN — Better Late Than Never! — BY LANK LEONARD

WHAT'S THE MATTER, UNCLE PHIL—DIDN'T YOU LIKE THE PRESENTS WE GAVE YOU?
OH, SURE! THEY WERE SWELL— I'M JUST DISAPPOINTED IN MORTIMER MINTMORE! TO THINK HE DIDN'T EVEN SEND SUNNY A CARD!
BUT UNCLE PHIL—HE'S A VERY BUSY MAN WITH LOTS OF THINGS ON HIS MIND AND—
DON'T TRY TO SQUARE HIM WITH ME, MICHAEL! HE'S JUST A COLD BLOODED MONEY GRABBER AND AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED HE CAN—
R-RING-G-G
MERRY CHRISTMAS!
MR. MINTMORE! BY GOLLY, I KNEW YOU'D GET HERE!!

DIXIE DUGAN — Merry Christmas! — BY J. P. McEVOY AND H. J. STRIEBEL

JUST A MOMENT, SANTA—
AS LONG AS I CAN REMEMBER SEEING YOU, YOU'VE ALWAYS LOOKED SO HAPPY—ALWAYS SMILING
YES, MISS DUGAN— I'M THE HAPPIEST MAN IN THE WORLD!
WOULD YOU MIND TELLING ME THE SECRET OF YOUR HAPPINESS, SANTA?
NOT AT ALL, CHILD—NOT AT ALL!
IT'S BECAUSE I'M GIVING INSTEAD OF GETTING ON CHRISTMAS!
I—I UNDERSTAND, SANTA
MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

DONALD DUCK — Misery Loves Company — BY WALT DISNEY



DON WINSLOW OF THE NAVY — Wishing You All— — BY FRANK MARTINEK

CHRISTMAS! THE GREATEST OF ALL DAYS, EH, SHIPMATES? BRINGS US TOGETHER IN THOUGHTS OF PEACE AND GOOD FELLOWSHIP AND - AHEM - CHRISTMAS DINNER!
RIGHT YOU ARE, ADMIRAL! I ONLY HOPE OUR MISSING MEMBER SHOWS UP IN THE NEXT PANEL!
AH'S COMIN', FOLKS! MAH BRAND OF CRIS'MUS SPERRIT MIGHT LACK DE HIGH MORAL UPLIFT BUT IT SHO DO STICK TO DE RIBS!!
TO ALL DON WINSLOW READERS - A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

NED BRANT—A Story of College Athletics — BY BOB ZUPPKE

WHERE THE HECKS, NED BRANT? WE CAN'T DELAY THIS BOXING TOURNAMENT AGAINST PUGET MUCH LONGER FOR HIM!
JAKE THE TRAINER
SORRY I'M LATE, JAKE— WHO'S THE GUY I'M FIGHTING?
YOU CAN'T LET NED FIGHT, JAKE!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, I CAN'T LET HIM FIGHT, BUD?
TAKE A LOOK AT HIS HANDS, JAKE!
HE TRIED TO HOLD AN AIRPLANE THE WIND WAS BLOWING OFF THE GROUND— THE SKIN'S OFF HIS HANDS!
PIPE DOWN, SHEKELS— MY HANDS ARE ALL RIGHT!

APPLE MARY AND DENNIE — Mary Worth's Family — By Dale Allen

SIT DOWN, MRS. WORTH! WITH MURDOCK, THE BUTLER GONE FOR GOOD, AND COOK ON LEAVE, I'M AFRAID WE'LL HAVE A RATHER SKIMPY HOLIDAY DINNER!
I'M NOT WORRIED, LEONA!
YOUR COUSIN SUE HAS BEEN UP TO SOMETHING IN THE KITCHEN.. WE'LL AT LEAST HAVE A SNACK!
HERE SHE COMES, NOW!
MERRY CHRISTMAS!

The Federal Diary

Cheers, Jeers, It's 1940—and A New Year

Gifties and Nifties, They're All Alike—A Word to Say? Get Mike!

By Alfred Friendly
Post Staff Writer

Now this is the time of the Diary's year when, scuppers awash with holiday cheer, we drop all restraint and, frugality mocking, give presents to put in each mantel-hung stocking. From out of our grab-bag we pull our best nifties. Honoring Christmas, we pass out these small giftees:

A watch to Squire Ickes, of the Mole-Hilly Mountains, to time his employes sip sodas at fountains; to P. V. McNutt of the platinum hair, a tonic to keep that prime asset all there. A shiny new boomerang for Henry Corn Wallace; a gag on Rep. Thomas for F. Perkins' solace. A genuine spy for F. Murphy to play with; a single idea for A. Berle to stay with.

J. Hanes' applecart we bestow upon Eccles to be toppled over by statements on sheckels. To Rep. Martin Dies on a silvery platter, we donate a listing of names that don't matter but serve to create a sensational story redounding throughout to the gentleman's glory.

Sheaf Upon Sheaf

To both of the Strauses, Nathan and Mike, we give a small gift that that all Strauses will like—some dandy publicity, sheaf upon sheaf, respectively, about himself and his chief.

To Felix Frankfurter his full satiation of sentences reeking with endless duration. A box of anonymous matters shall go to Messrs. Currie, McReynolds and Rowe. To Milo R. Perkins and those of his section, an album to hold their relief stamp collection.

To Mrs. F. D. and her genial spouse, a four-year extensible lease on their house.

To Director James Young, a staff of protectors—to stave off his thousand assistant directors—and fervent regard to the bureau's sole clerk, whose shoulders must carry the Bufocom's work. Acquarium's Orsinger has our best wishes for years full of fishes and fishes and fishes.

Beasties That Don't Exist

To Smithsonian's Abbot a generous hooker of sunshiny days for his fireless cooker; the Zoo's Doctor Mann is the first on our list for a shipment of beasties that do not exist. A happy philatelist we give to Jim Farley, to Garner a ferment of yeast and of barley.

To Melvin C. Hazen, the Belmont Futurity; to War's Harry Woodring, employment security. To C. I. O.'s Lewis, a truce on all violence; to antitrust's Arnold, the folklore of silence. The gift that we give to Pare E. Lorenz is simply a jug full of every-day horse sense.

To Idaho's Borah, more foreign news sources; to Commerce's Hopkins, good luck with the horses. To poet MacLeish, who is probably cursing with envy at us and our long-winded versing, we offer our praise for more Magnae Cartae.

To Herbert Putnam a bouquet is tendered for work he's still doing and services rendered. To Archivist Connor, the firm resolution to filch from MacLeish the L. C.'s constitution.

Milk? It's Awful!

To Jennings Randolph and those of his ilk, we drink a toast in contraband milk. To both of the Hoovers, J. Edgar and Captain, we tender a present, be-u-tifully rapt—kindlier feeling in liberal rations for employe union organizations.

To armies of spoilsmen, a murrain to seize them; to low-paying jobs, budget grants to unfreeze them (and speaking of which may we add for Hal Smith, a bigger-holed sifter to strain mercy with).

To Luther E. Steward and Gertrude McNally, an increase to write for their membership tally. The same sort of gift goes to Afge's Jim Burns, and likewise to Ufwahoo's campaign returns. Although to each union—yes,—we ask for a pox that will take their durned feuding.

To Government workers a-reading this column we extend our sympathies, heartfelt and solemn, as well as our thanks for their kindly indulgence that supports this column's incessant promulgence. To the staff of each bureau and board and authority we wish all things good for the year Nineteen-Forty.

The only people to whom we give scallions are all dictators' bloodthirsty, and bombing battalions. For everyone else, we wish largesse, but as for the dictators—bad 'cess!

D.K.E.'s Will Hold 95th Convention

Several hundred members of Delta Kappa Epsilon, one of the oldest fraternities, will attend the organization's 95th annual convention at the Shoreham Hotel Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

A highlight is a reception to be held Saturday afternoon at "The Lindens," Eighteenth Century home of Mr. and Mrs. George Maurice Morris, 2401 Kalorama road northwest. Morris is honorary president of D.K.E., and honorary chairman of the arrangements committee, assisted by Dr. Don S. Knowlton, Dr. Arthur D. Call, Philip M. O'Brien, and Harry L. Grant.

Marshall, Vagts To Address Groups

Gen. George C. Marshall, Army Chief of Staff, and Dr. Alfred Vagts, former German army officer and now a faculty member of the Princeton University Institute for Advanced Study, will speak on "Land Power and Sea Power" at a joint meeting at 10 a. m. Thursday of the American Military Institute and the American Historical Association in the Mayflower Hotel.

Other speakers will be Capt. W. D. Puleston, U. S. Navy; Senator Elbert D. Thomas (Democrat), of Utah, and Dr. A. Whitney Criswold, of Yale University.

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